

Recent Heavy Flavor Results Utilizing the FVTX in PHENIX at RHIC

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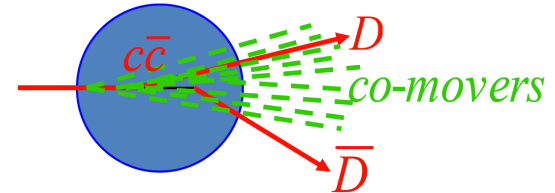
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 - Forward J/ψ and ψ' ratio via di-muon channel in p+p, p+Al and p+Au collisions.
 - Forward B to J/ψ ratio via di-muon channel in p+p and Cu+Au collisions.
- Summary and Outlook

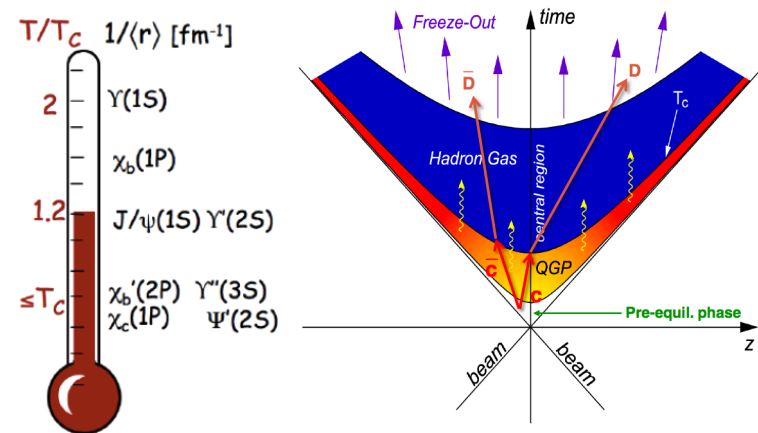
Motivation

- Heavy flavor is a good probe to study the full evolution of the medium as it is produced in the early stage of nuclear collisions due to its high mass ($m_c, m_b \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$).
- Quarkonia are expected to dissociate sequentially in the **QGP** due to color screening melt in later stage, and can be treated as a thermometer to probe the **QGP** temperature.
- Interaction with the medium (**Cold Nuclear Matter/ Hot Nuclear Matter**) is not well understood.
- Need to measure multiple observables in different processes to isolate the **initial/final** state and **cold/hot** nuclear matter effects.

CNM effect: co-mover absorption



Hot Nuclear effect: QGP formation

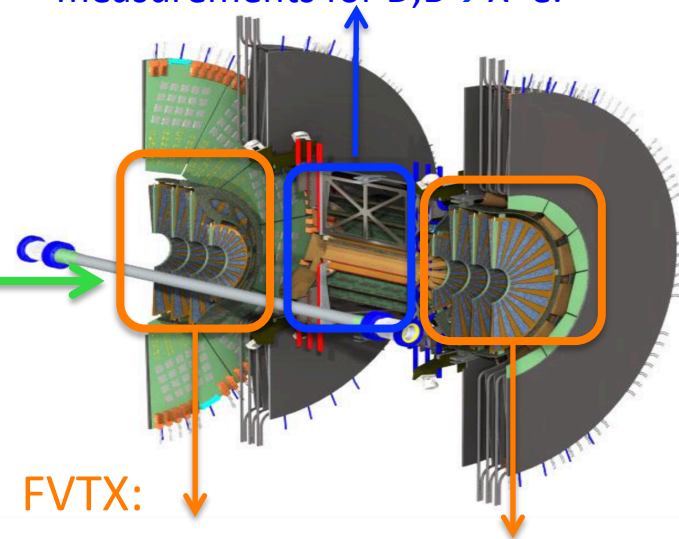
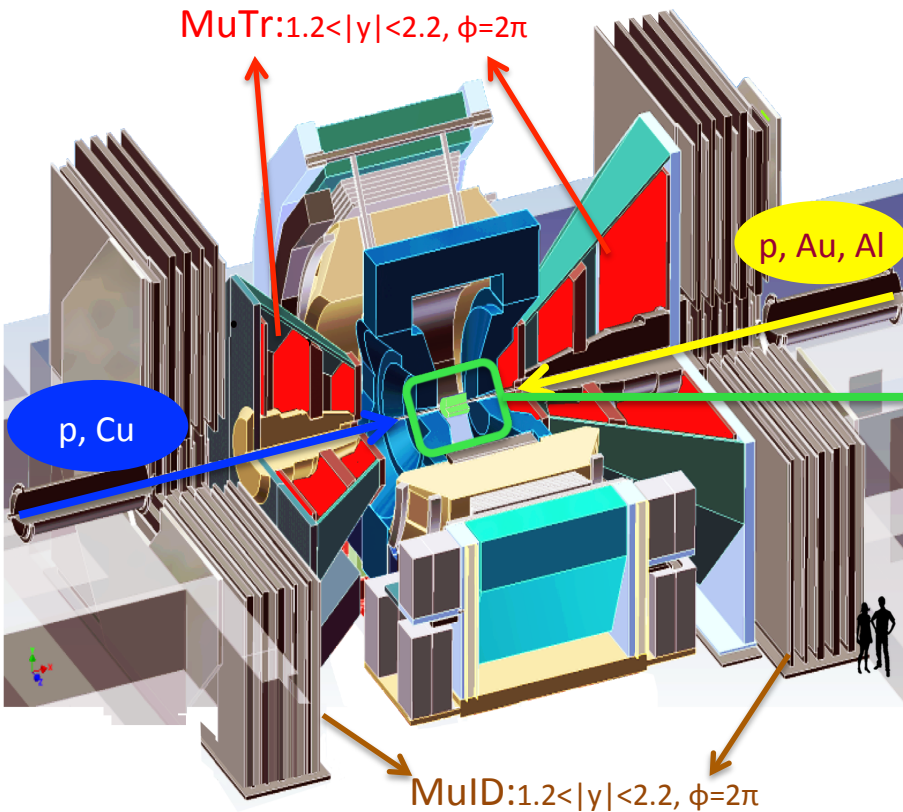


Silicon Vertex Detectors of PHENIX

- The silicon vertex detectors: **VTX**(installed since 2011) and **FVTX**(installed since 2012) make the new heavy flavor measurement possible in p+p, p+Al, p+Au, Cu+Au and Au+Au collisions.

- VTX:**

- With $|y| < 1.2$ and $\phi \approx 2\pi$ coverage.
- provide precise vertex and tracking measurements for $D, B \rightarrow X + e$.

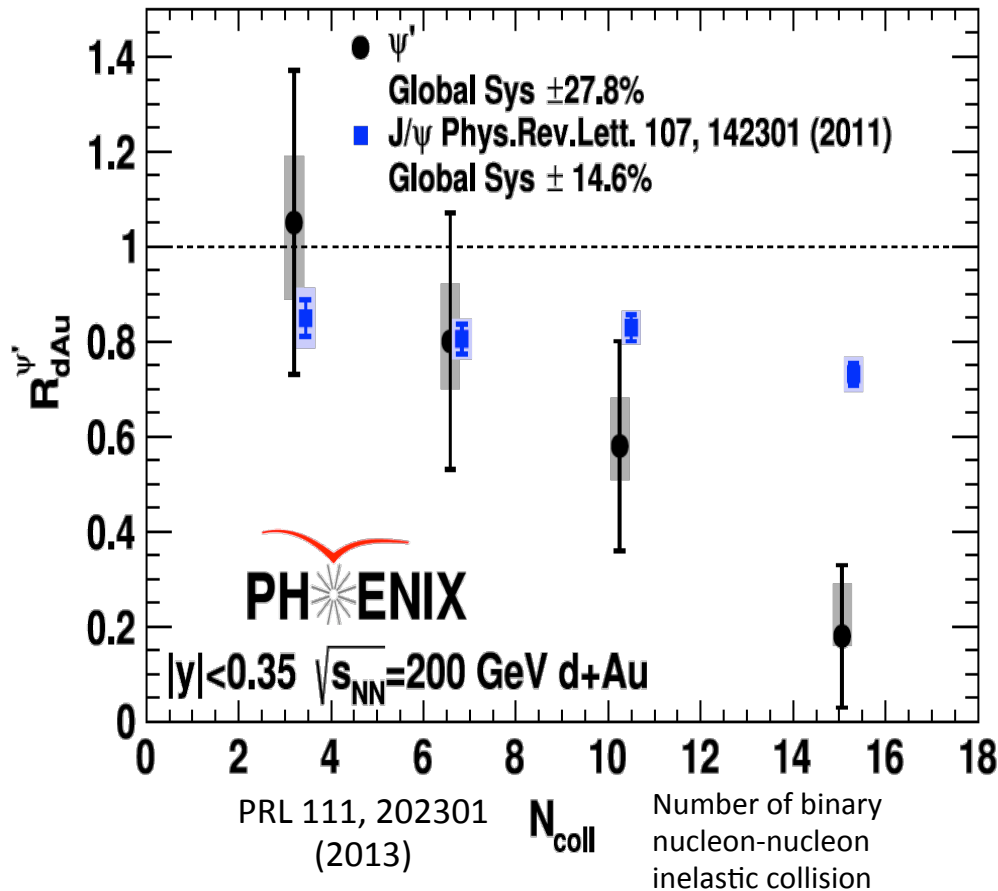


- FVTX:**

- With $1.2 < |y| < 2.2$ and $\phi = 2\pi$ coverage.
- provide precise tracking and improved resolution for di-muon mass measurements for $J/\psi, \psi' \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$, $B \rightarrow J/\psi$ and D, B separation.

Explore the CNM effect via charmonia (J/ψ and ψ')

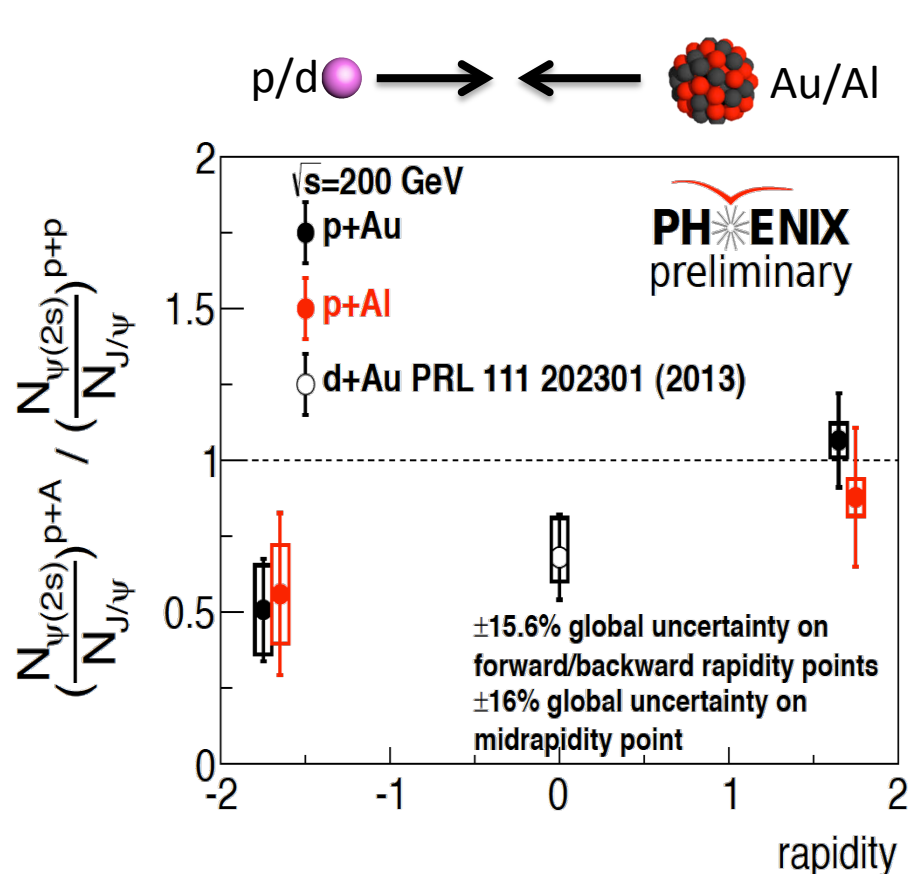
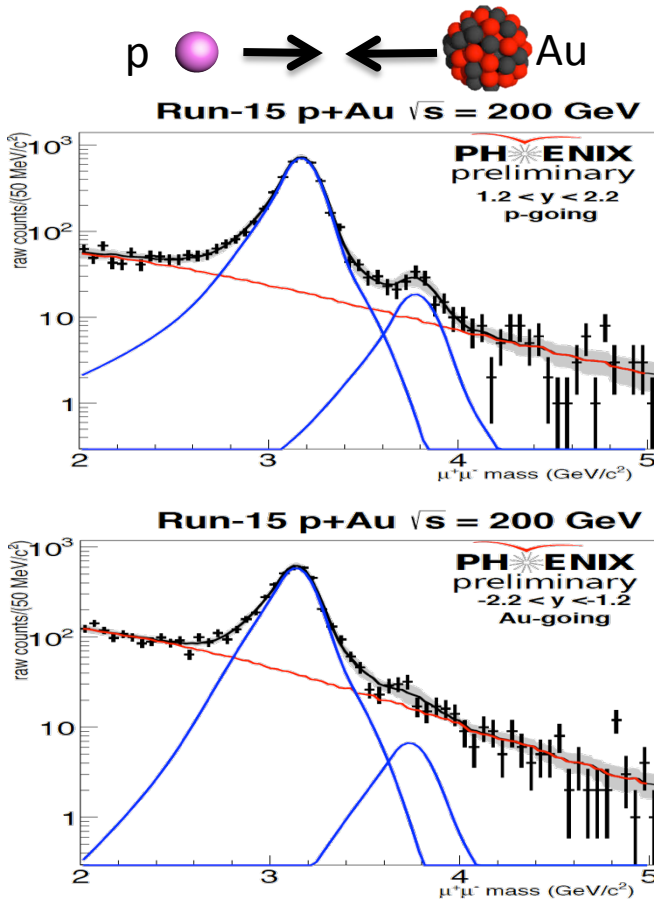
- Mid-rapidity ψ' R_{dAu} measured at PHENIX in d+Au collisions has different trend and magnitude of suppression versus N_{coll} from the J/ψ results.



- Similar **initial state** effect (shadowing, energy loss etc.) on J/ψ and ψ' .
- Indications of impacts from **final state** effects cause the difference.
- **Can we study this in forward/backward rapidity and different collision system?**

Relative ratio of ψ' to J/ψ vs rapidity

- Centrality-integrated relative ratio of ψ' to J/ψ vs rapidity for forward and backward p+Au, p+Al and mid-rapidity d+Au.

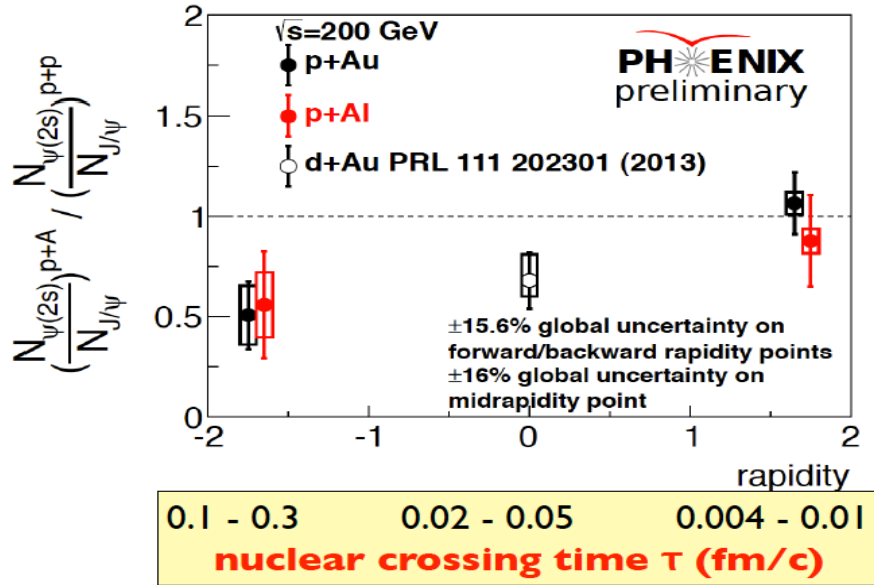


- The J/ψ and ψ' have similar suppression at forward rapidity.
- Strong relative suppression is observed at back rapidity.

Possible contributions to the differential suppression

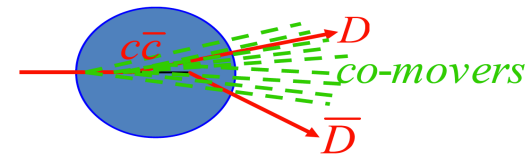
- Time spent inside the nucleus

- Longer time and path length spent by the cc-bar in Au- (Al-) going direction than the p- going direction.



- According to the crossing time τ dependent model fit on world wide data (PRC 87 (2013) 054910), very small contributions.

- This effect can not explain the backward rapidity suppression.

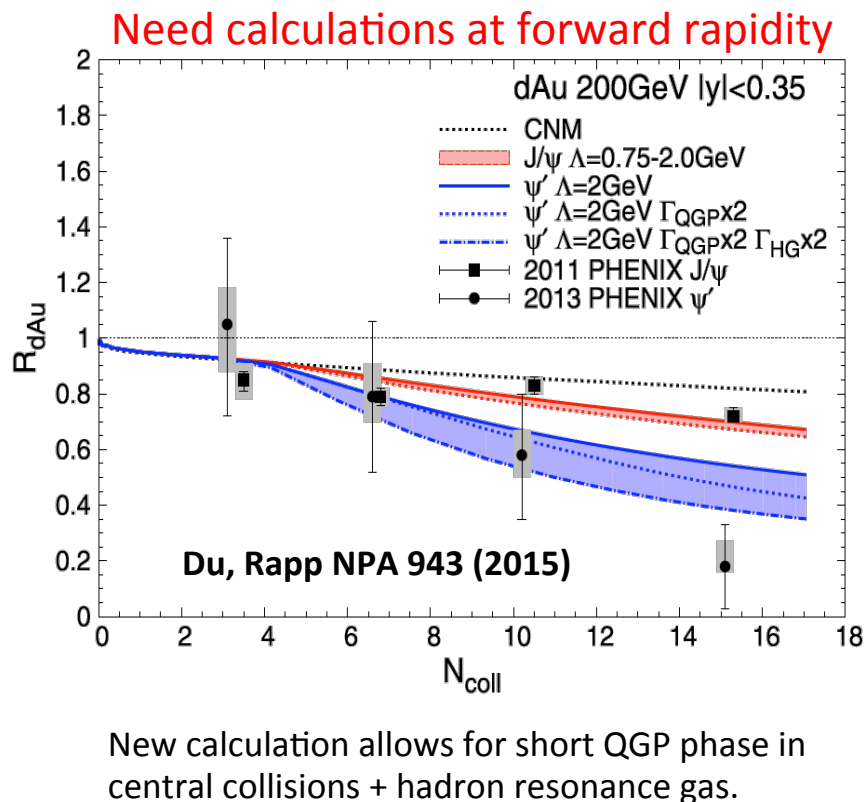
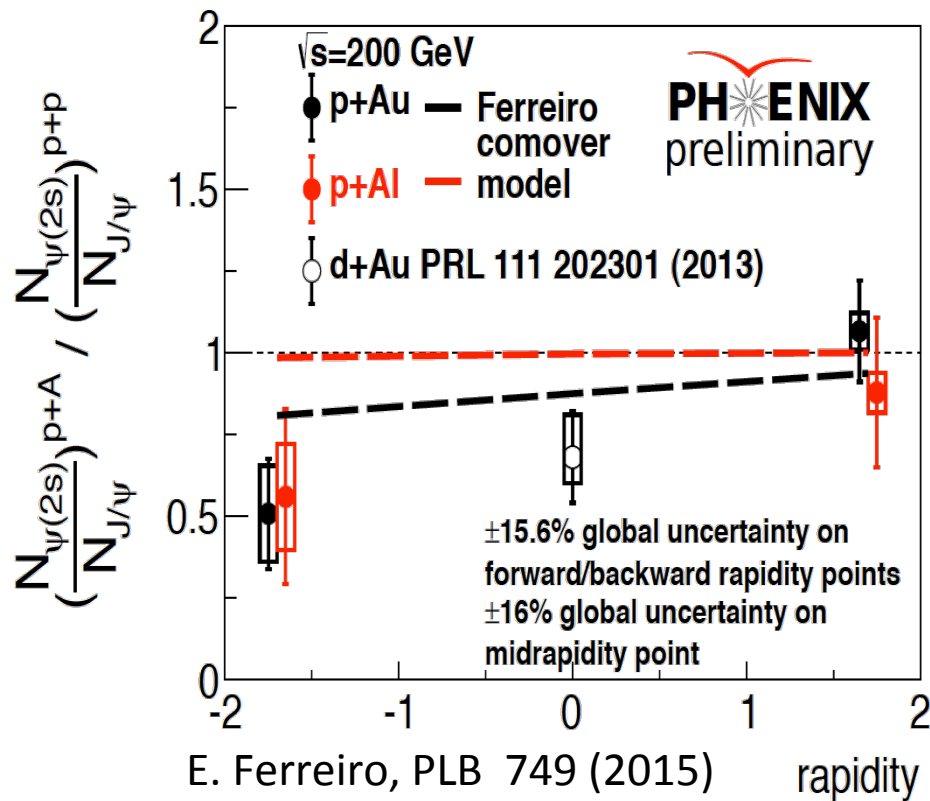


- Absorption by Co-movers?

- Charmonium can break up in the presence of co-movers.
- Higher particle density in the Au- (Al-) going direction may cause larger suppression.

Relative ratio of ψ' to J/ψ vs rapidity

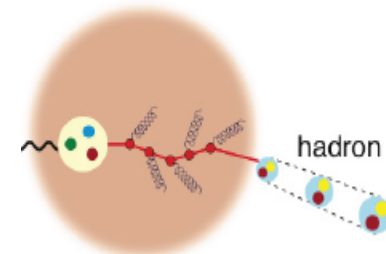
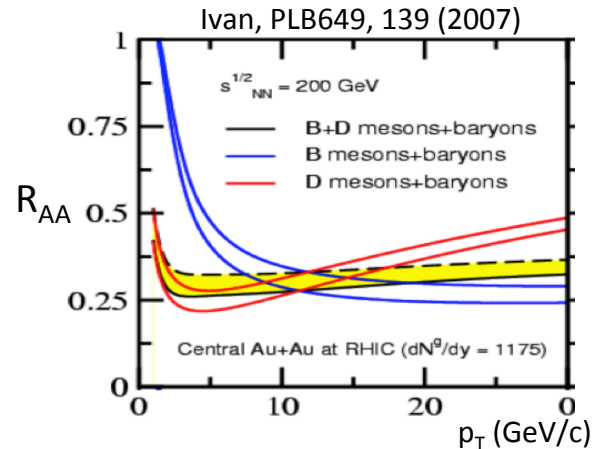
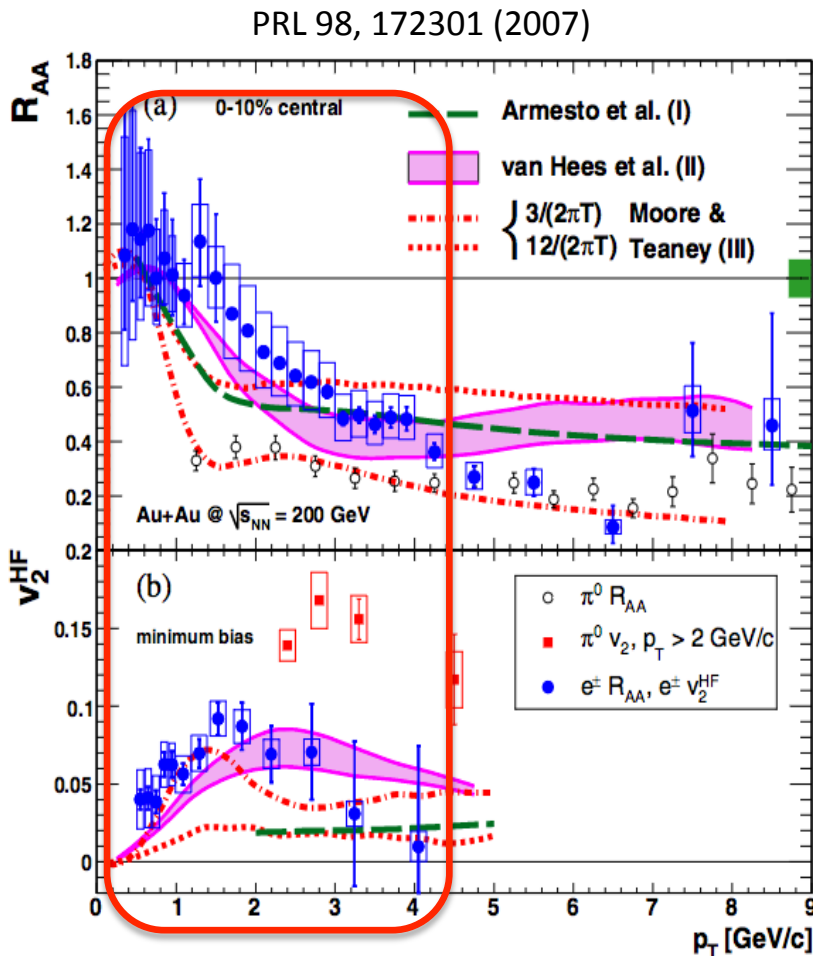
- Centrality integrated relative ratio of ψ' to J/ψ vs rapidity for p+Au, p+Al and d+Au (mid-rapidity).



- The trend of the rapidity dependency is consistent with co-mover dissociation model.
- New model calculations? Plasma effect in central collisions?

Study the **Hot Nuclear Matter** effect via open heavy flavor production

- Suppression of the **inclusive Heavy flavor** R_{AA} provides evidence of strong coupling between the heavy flavor and medium.

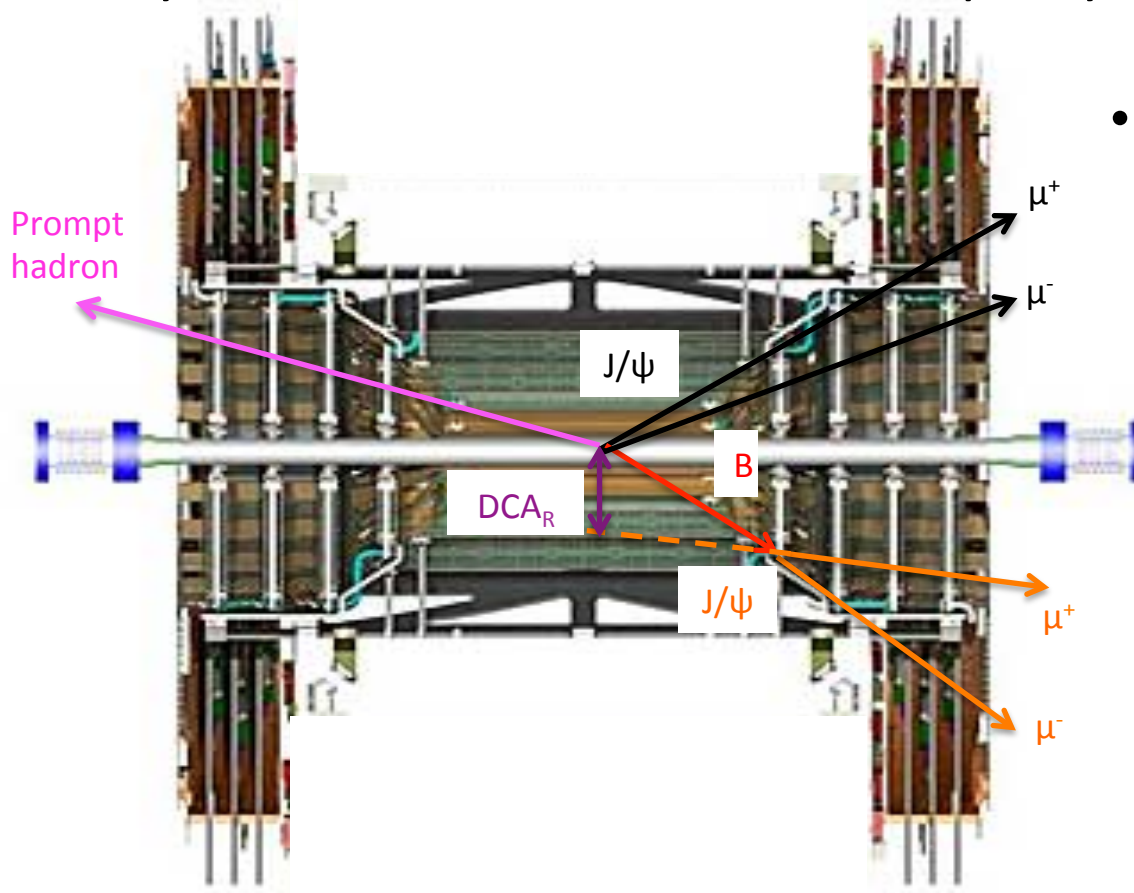


- Low P_T heavy flavor production is dominated by **charm** production, need to separate **charm** and **bottom** and study the mass/ flavor dependent quark energy loss.
- Measure B-meson directly?

Can we measure B meson in forward rapidity?

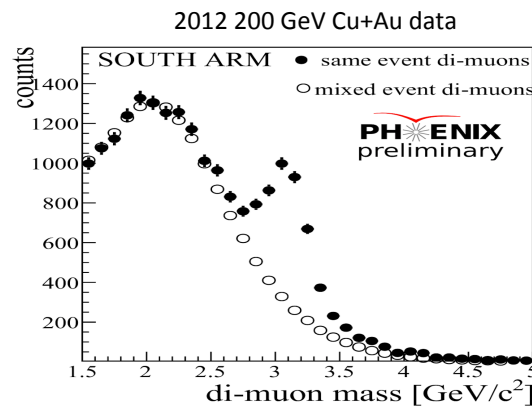
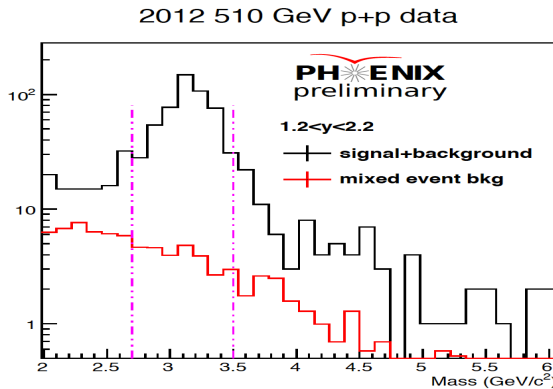


- **B mesons** measured in the forward/backward rapidity with longer decay length may probe different QGP evolution stage in heavy ion collisions from the mid-rapidity region.



- Different shapes of the Distance of Closet Approach along the radial projection (DCA_R) of **prompt particles** and **decayed particles** make the separation of **B decayed J/ψ** and prompt J/ψ feasible.

Analysis strategy for the B to J/ψ ratio measurement (I)



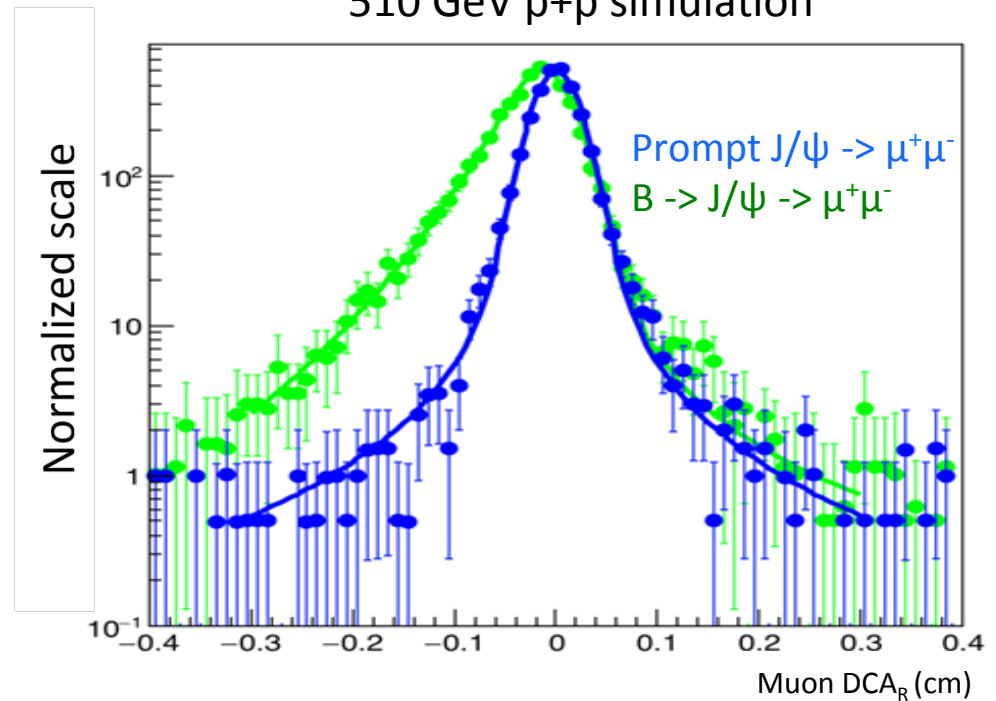
- Clear J/ψ peaks are found in both p+p and Cu+Au data.

- **Signal determination**

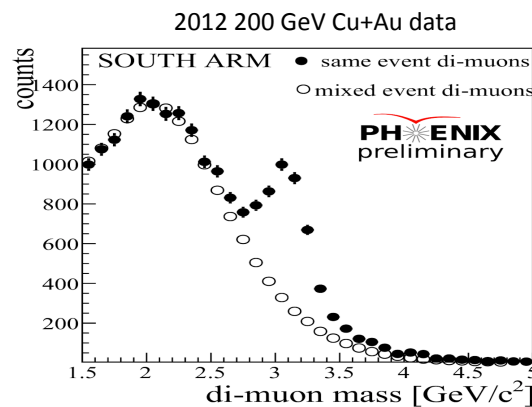
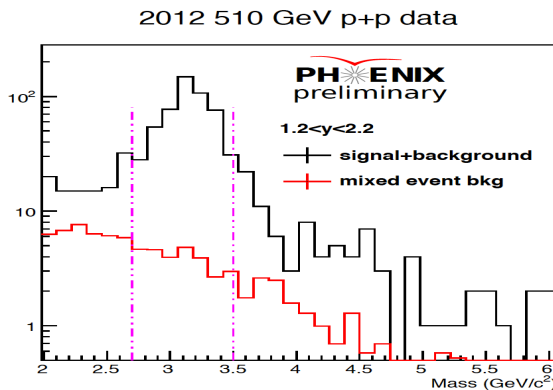
- Generate prompt J/ψ and B to J/ψ events in full simulation (PYTHIA+GEANT+RECO) for p+p with realistic vertex and dead maps etc.

- Obvious DCA_R shape difference between prompt J/ψ and B to J/ψ.

510 GeV p+p simulation



Analysis strategy for the B to J/ψ ratio measurement (II)



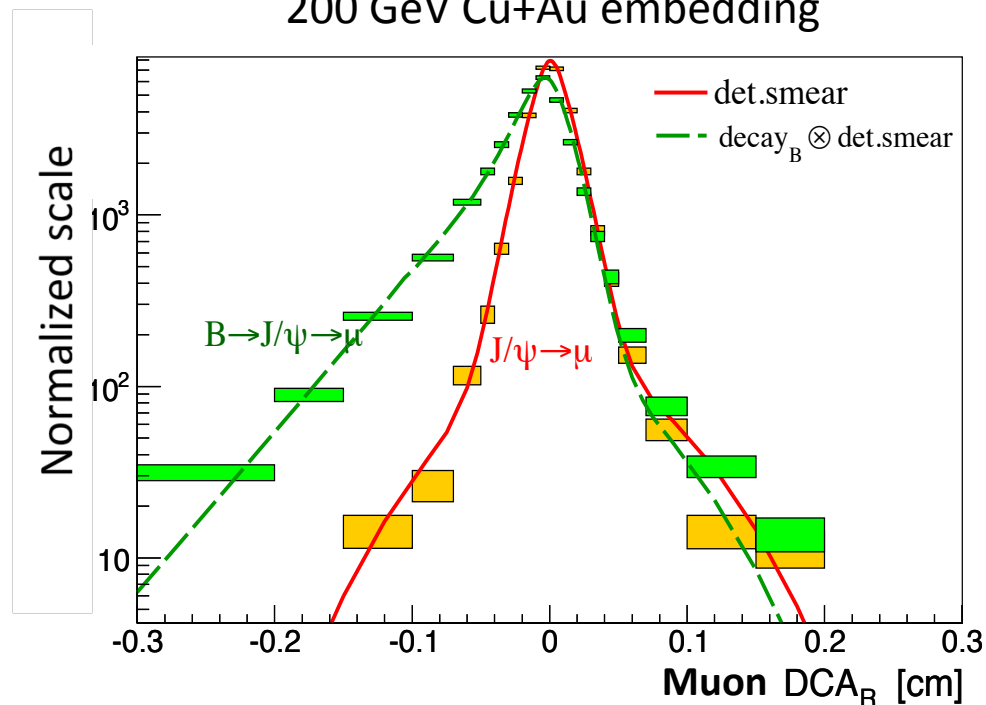
- Clear J/ψ peaks are found in both p+p and Cu+Au data.

- **Signal determination**

- Generate prompt J/ψ and B to J/ψ events in embedding for Cu+Au with realistic vertex and dead maps etc.

- Obvious DCA_R shape difference between prompt J/ψ and B to J/ψ.

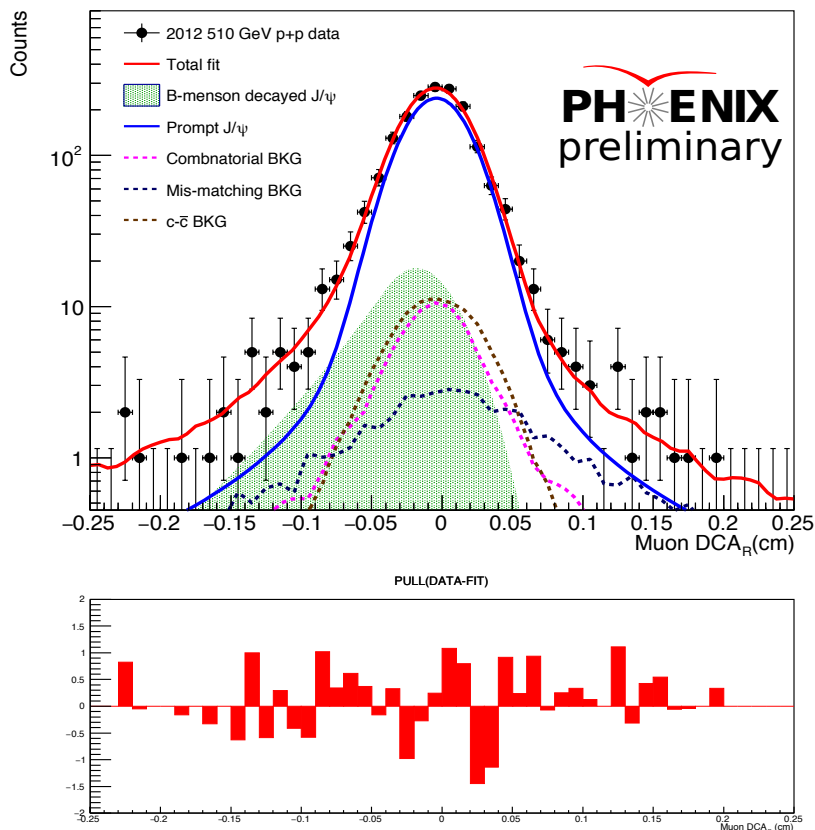
200 GeV Cu+Au embedding



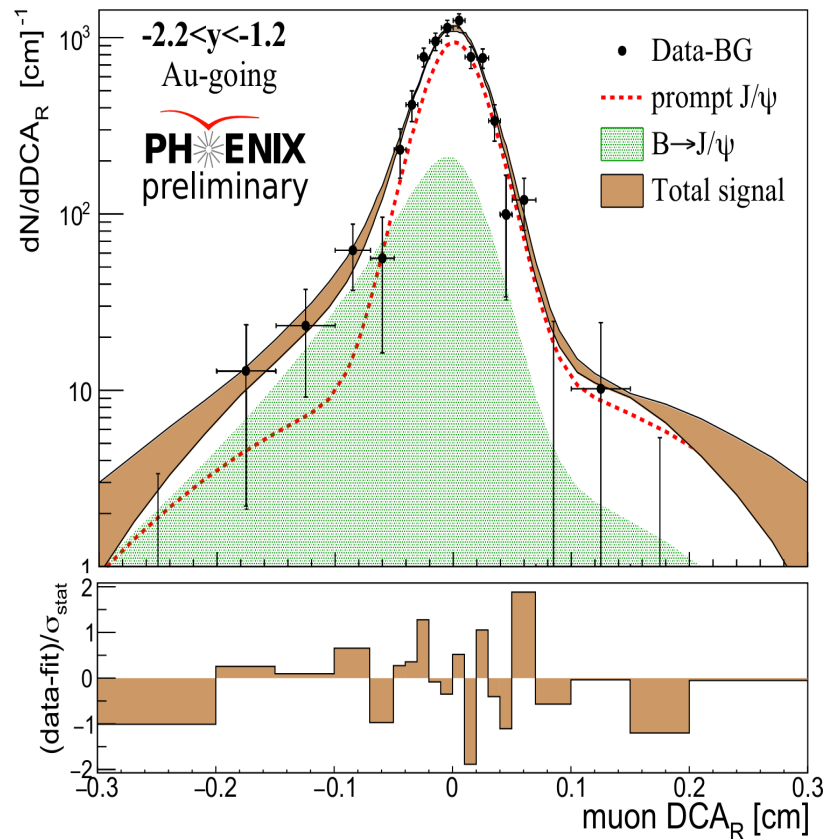
Analysis strategy for the B to J/ψ ratio measurement (III)

- Fit on DCA_R in data to simultaneously determine the **prompt J/ψ** and **J/ψ from B-meson decay** yields and extract the B to J/ψ fraction.

B → J/ψ Fit ($-2.2 < y < -1.2$)



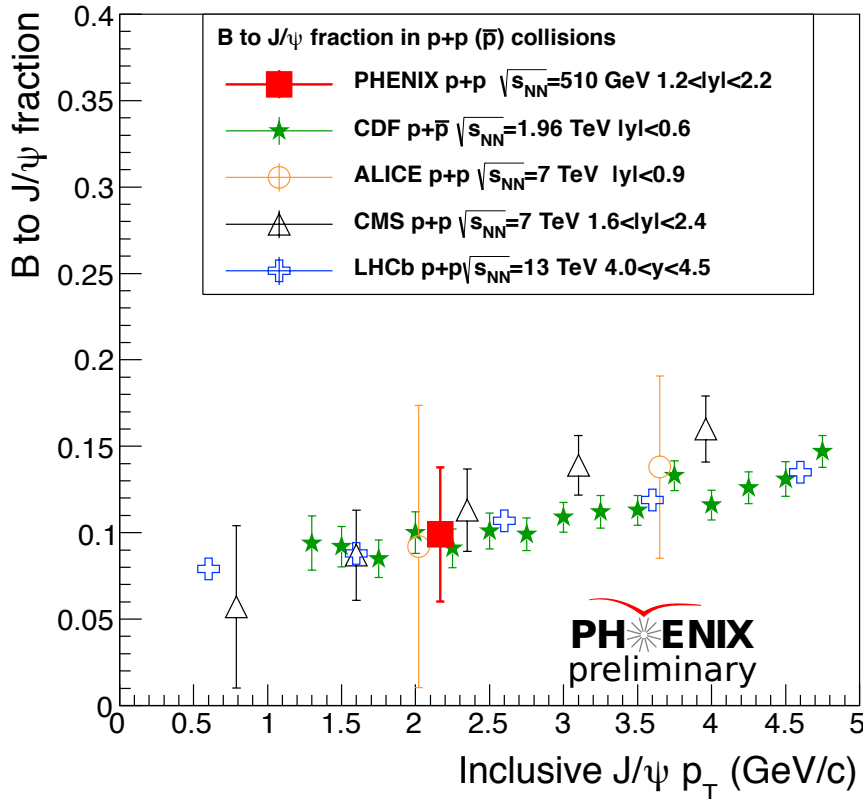
2012 200 GeV Cu+Au collisions



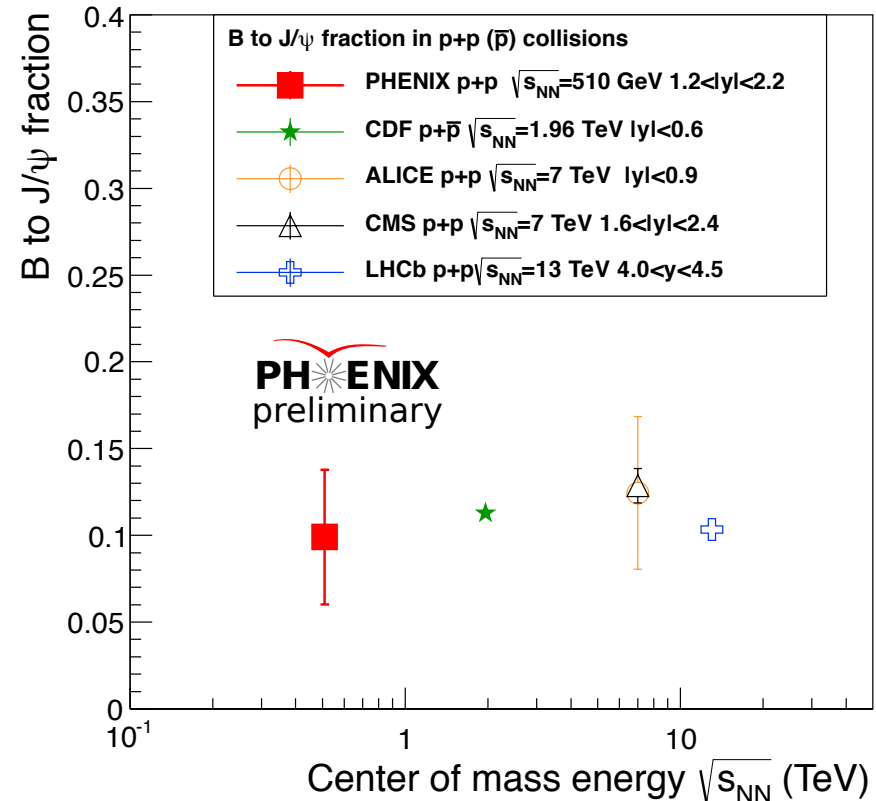
B- \rightarrow J/ ψ fraction in 510 GeV p+p data

- The B- \rightarrow J/ ψ fraction does not have a strong energy dependence for J/ ψ $p_T < 5$ GeV/c region.
- Indicate that 200 GeV p+p baseline follows the same trend?

Run12 510 p+p B to J/ ψ fraction

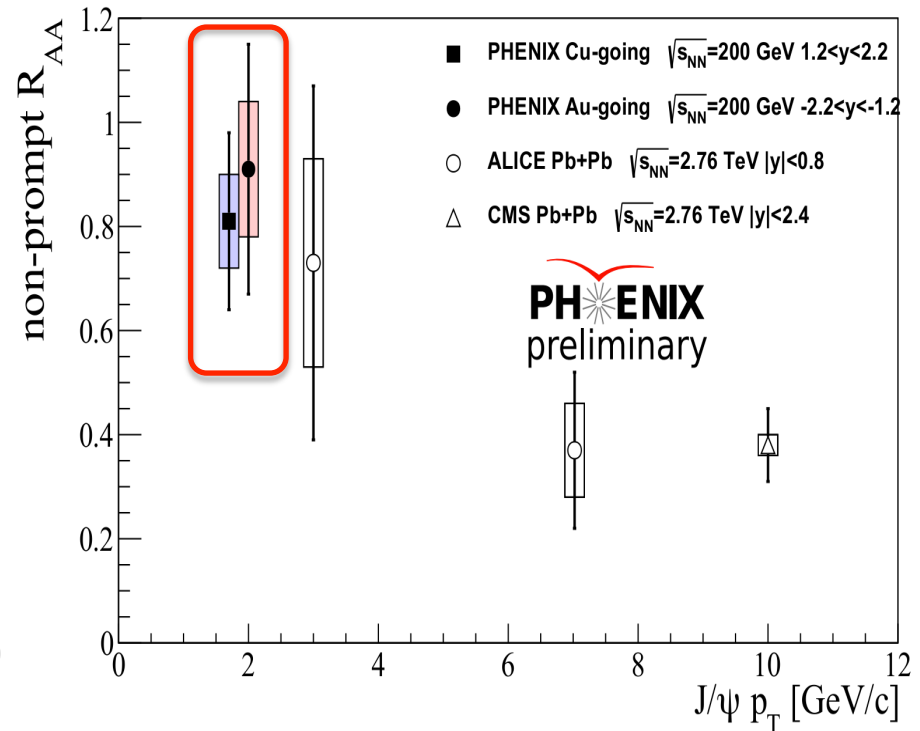
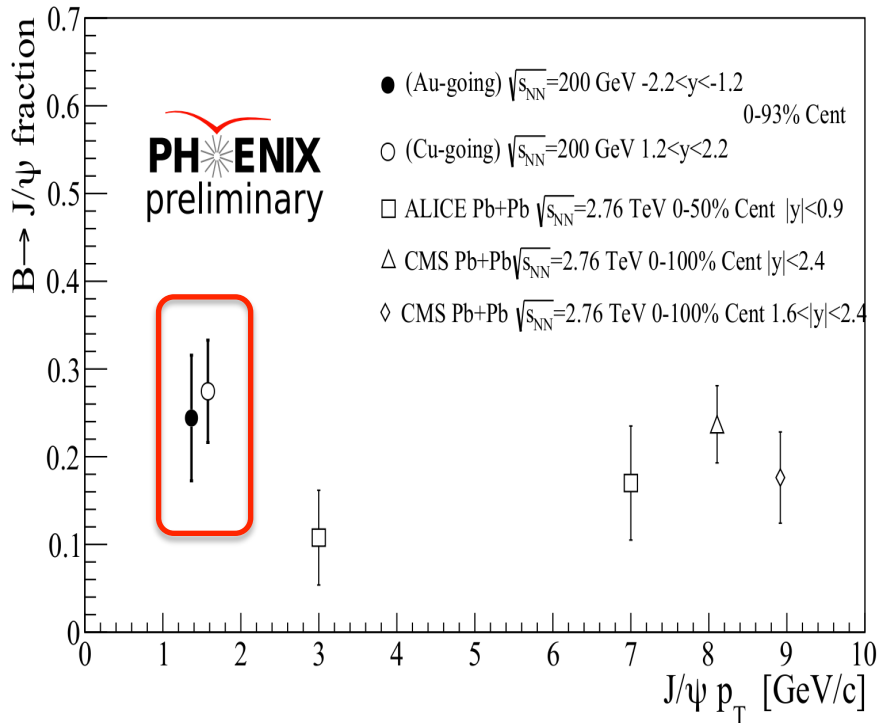


Run12 510 p+p B to J/ ψ fraction



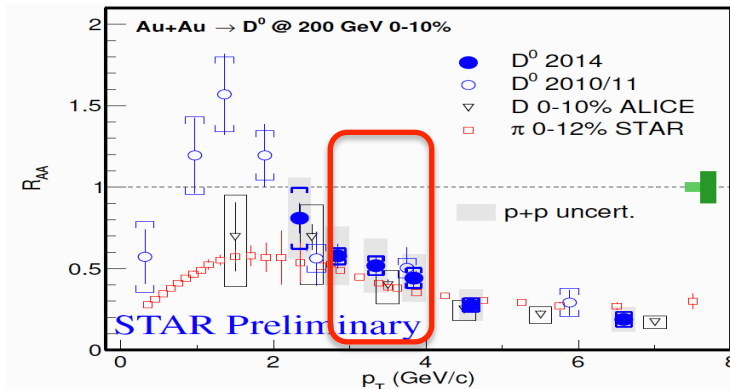
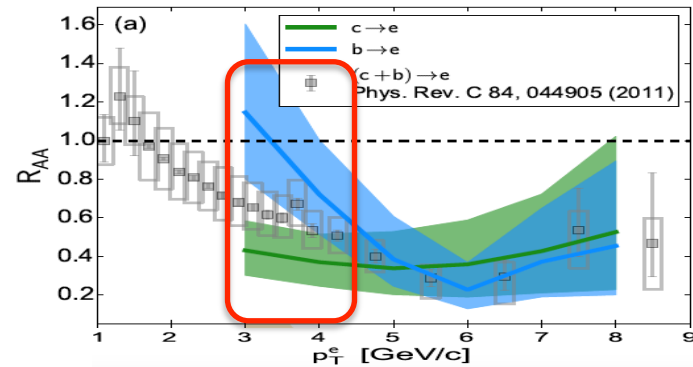
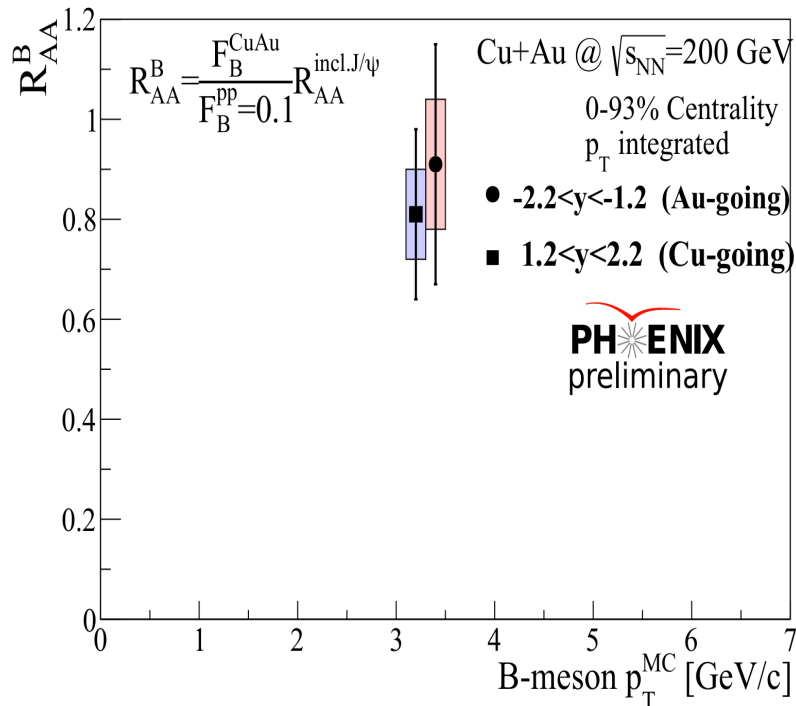
B→J/ψ fraction in 200 GeV Cu+Au data

- The B→J/ψ fraction measured in the Cu+Au collisions at **PHENIX** is much larger than the LHC results.
- Assuming the fraction is 0.1 in 200 GeV p+p collisions, the R_{CuAu} defined as $R_{\text{CuAu}}^{B \rightarrow J/\psi} = \frac{F_{B \rightarrow J/\psi}^{\text{CuAu}}}{F_{B \rightarrow J/\psi}^{\text{pp}} = 0.1} R_{\text{CuAu}}^{\text{inc. } J/\psi}$ is less suppressed.
- **PHENIX** and LHC R_{AA} follow the same trend.



B→J/ψ R_{AA} in 200 GeV Cu+Au data

- **Cu-going/Au-going** B-meson R_{CuAu} measured in Cu+Au data agrees with the PHENIX mid-rapidity electron R_{AuAu} from bottom decay, and is different from STAR D⁰ R_{AuAu} at the same energy.
- Is **bottom** production less suppressed than the **charm** production in the forward rapidity in the **low p_T region**?



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Summary

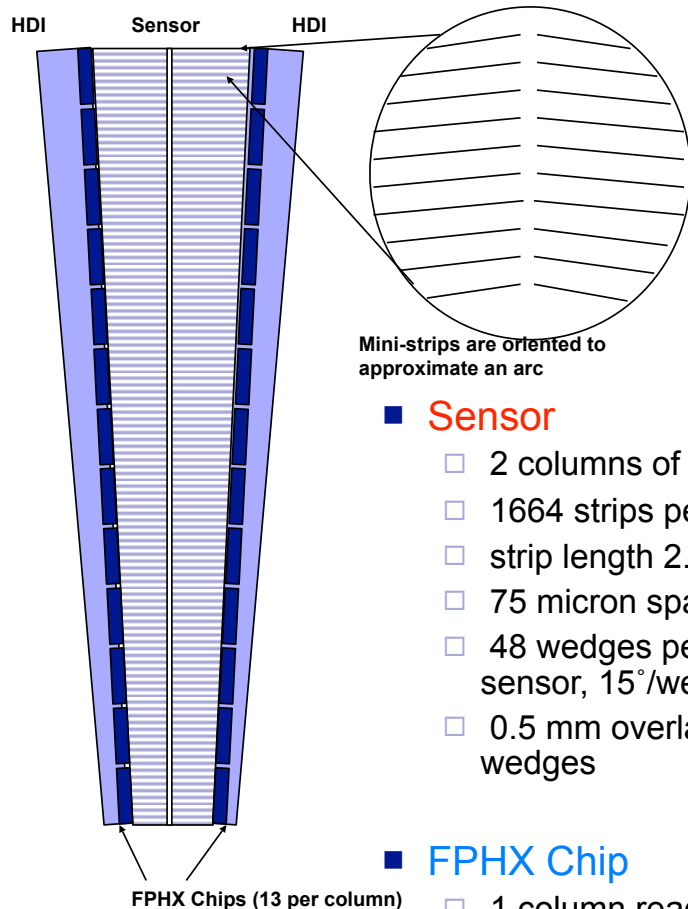
- Differential suppression of ψ' to J/ψ relative ratio in p+Al and p+Au data shows strong evidence of final state effects.
 - The co-mover model provides a reasonable description.
 - Other theory calculations?
- First measurement of J/ψ from B decays in forward/backward rapidity at low p_T are achieved in both 510 GeV p+p and 200 GeV Cu+Au collisions.
 - No center of mass energy dependence for low p_T J/ψ from B-meson decay in p+p collisions.
 - Small nuclear modification of integrated p_T and centrality averaged B-mesons in Cu+Au data, which is in agreement with other measurements and theory.

Outlook

- Large data set in various types of heavy ion collisions collected at PHENIX provide opportunities to study
 - ψ' to J/ψ ratio in run14/16 Au+Au collisions to demonstrate hot nuclear matter effect like color screening in QGP.
 - Study the D/B separate single muons in run12/15 p+p, run15 p+Au and run14/16 Au+Au collisions with higher statistics.
 - Forward/backward B to J/ψ via di-muon channel in run15 p+p, p+Au, run14/16 Au+Au collisions to understand CNM and hot nuclear matter effect.
- More nice results to come.

Backup

The Forward Vertex Detector (FVTX)



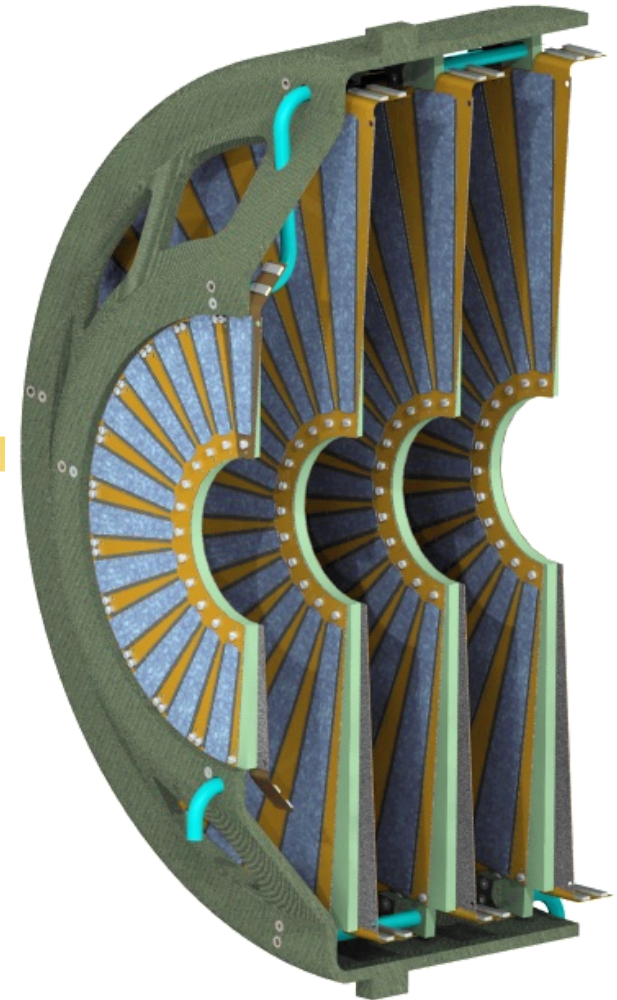
Mini-strips are oriented to approximate an arc

■ Sensor

- 2 columns of strips
- 1664 strips per column
- strip length 2.8 to 11.2 mm
- 75 micron spacing
- 48 wedges per disk (7.5° /sensor, 15° /wedge)
- 0.5 mm overlap with adjacent wedges

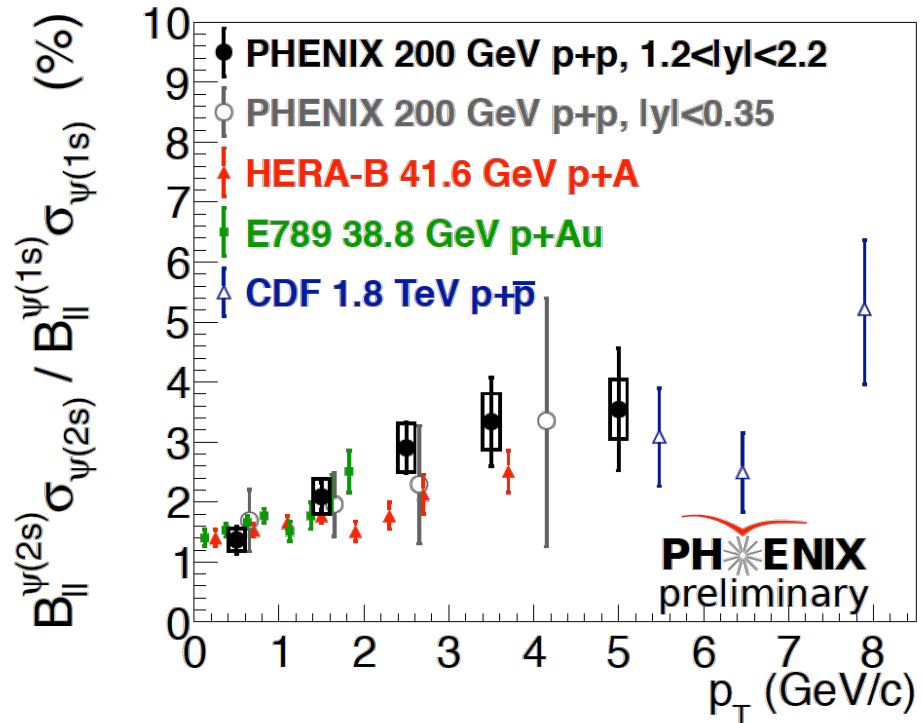
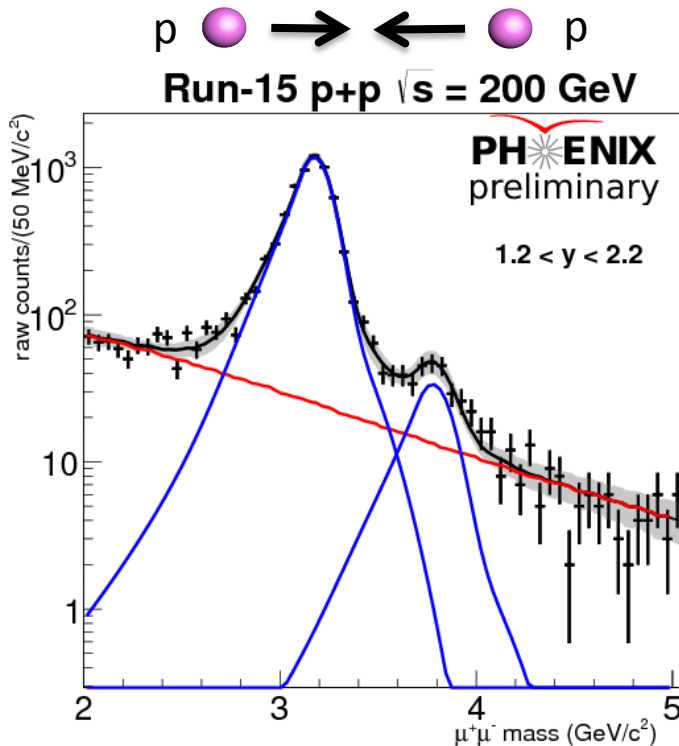
■ FPHX Chip

- 1 column readout
- 128 channels
- ~ 70 microns channel spacing
- Dimensions $-9\text{mm} \times 1.2\text{ mm}$



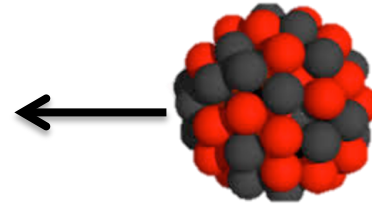
Forward J/ψ and ψ' measurement in p+p collision

- With improved mass resolution provided by FVTX, clear J/ψ and ψ' identification via di-muon channel ($1.2 < |y| < 2.2$) in run15 200 GeV p+p data.

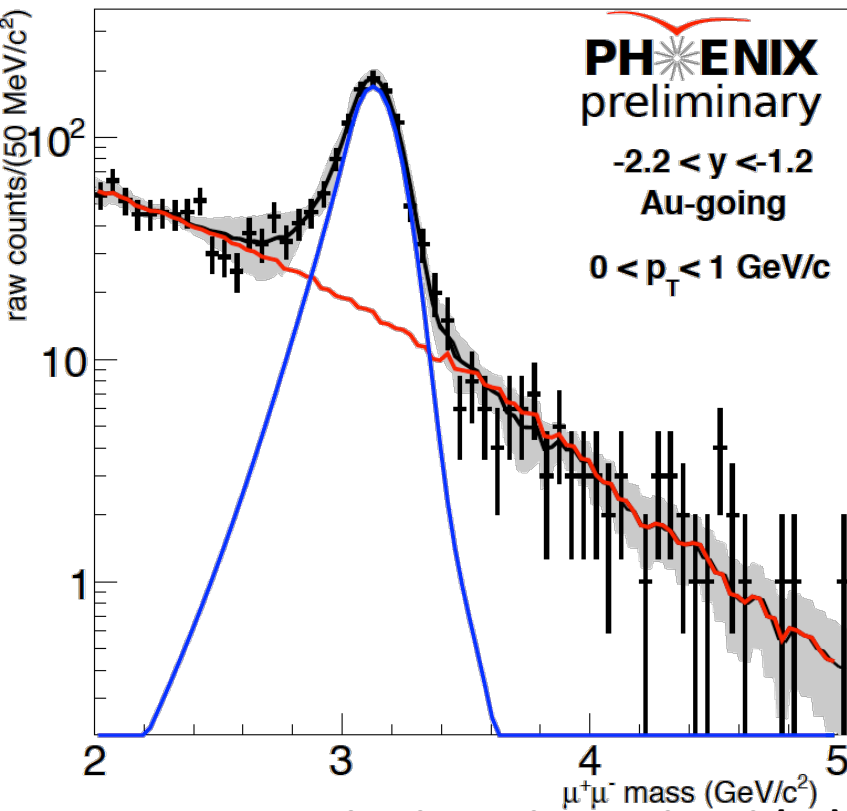


- The forward ψ' to J/ψ ratio measured in p+p collisions is consistent with the global data.

p+A pT dependence

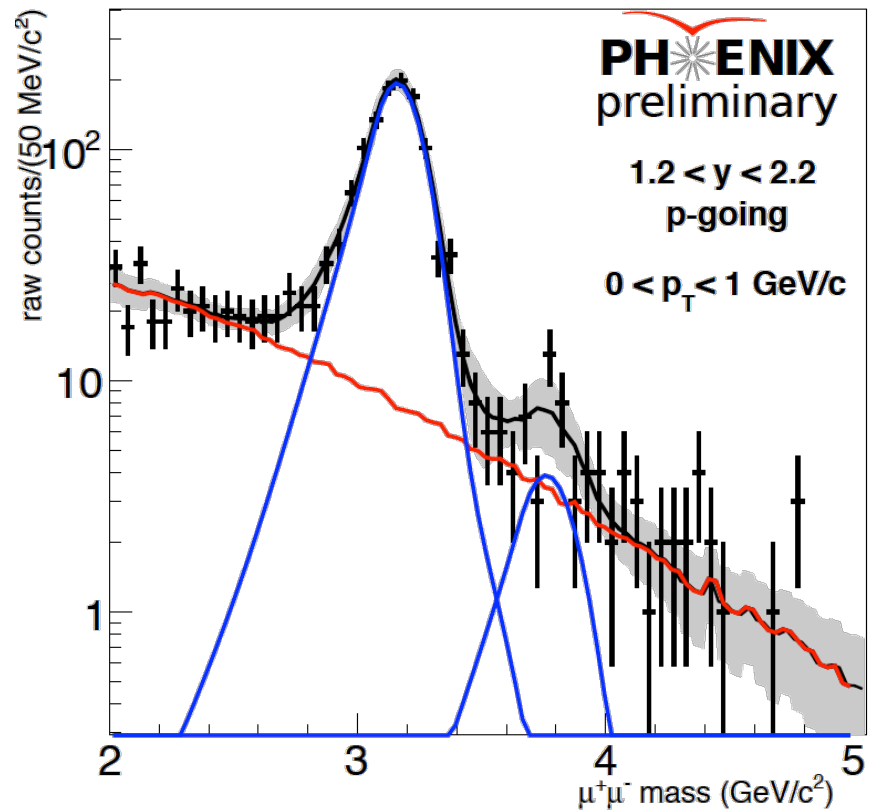


Run-15 p+Au $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV



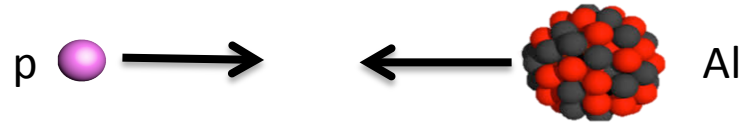
Low p_T , backwards rapidity $\psi(2s)$ yields
consistent with ZERO.

Run-15 p+Au $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV

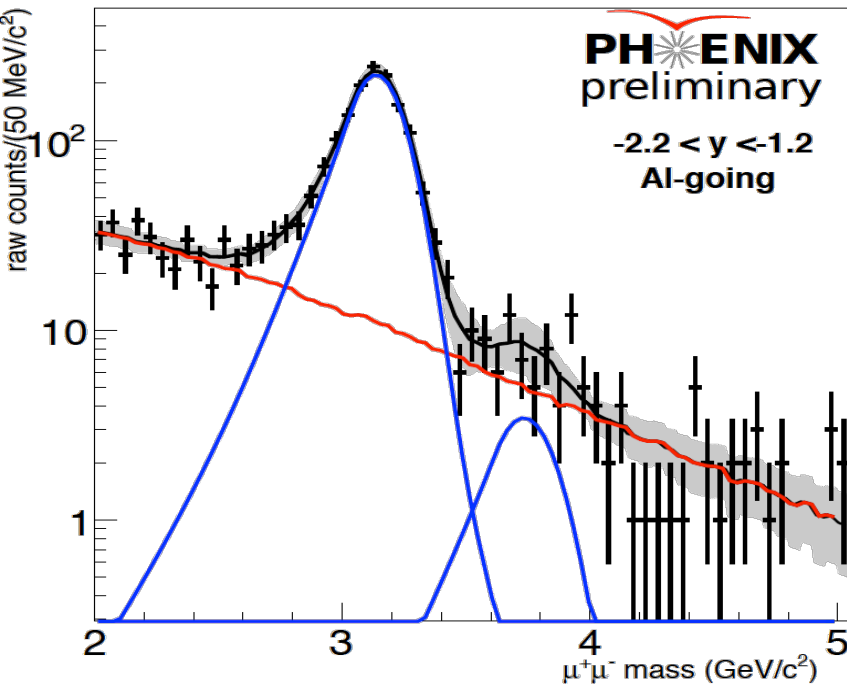


How about asymmetric nuclear collisions?

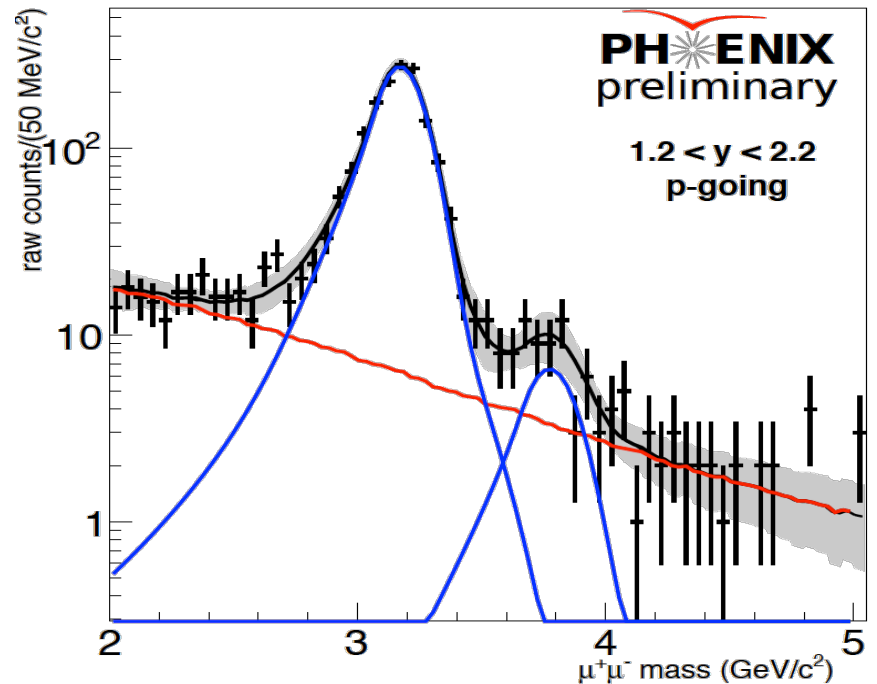
- In 200 GeV p+Al collisions.



Run-15 p+Al $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV



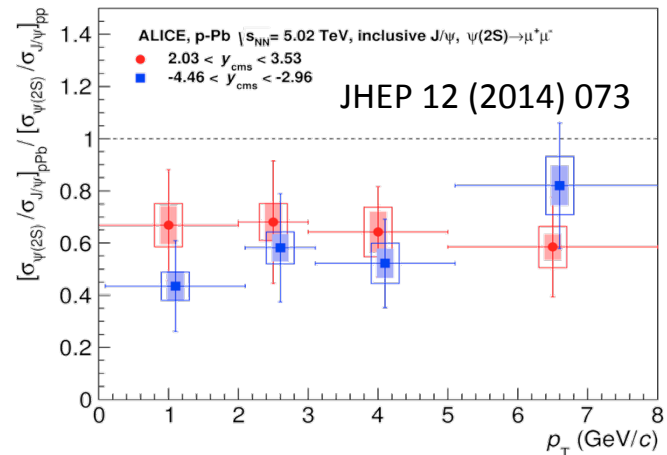
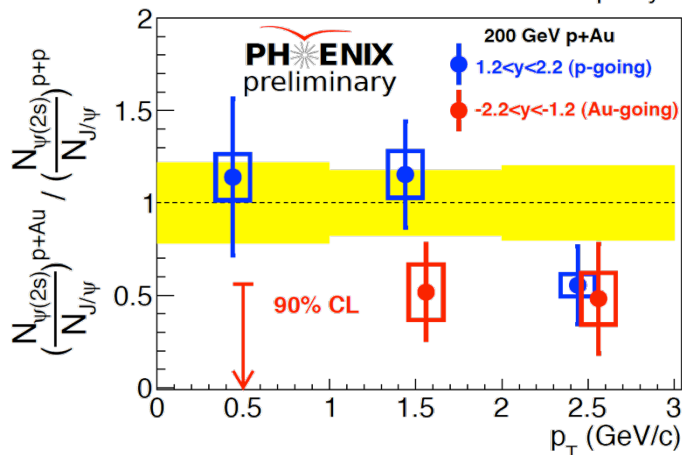
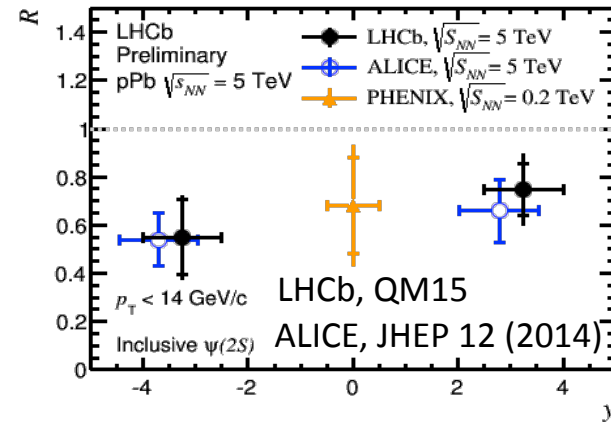
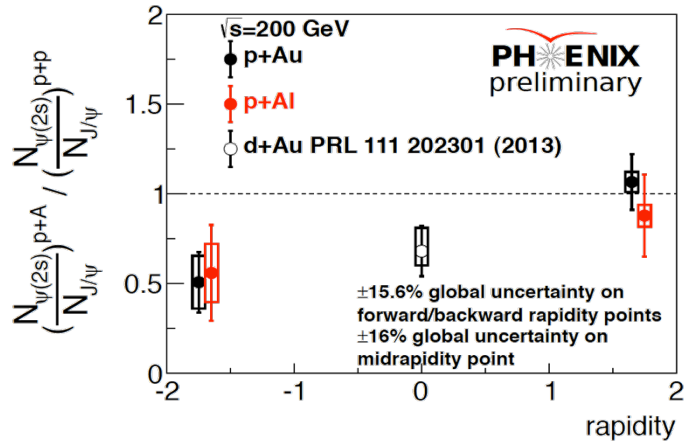
Run-15 p+Al $\sqrt{s} = 200$ GeV



- Even with raw data, clearly the ψ' yield is suppressed relative to J/ψ in the Al going direction.

Comparison with the LHC results

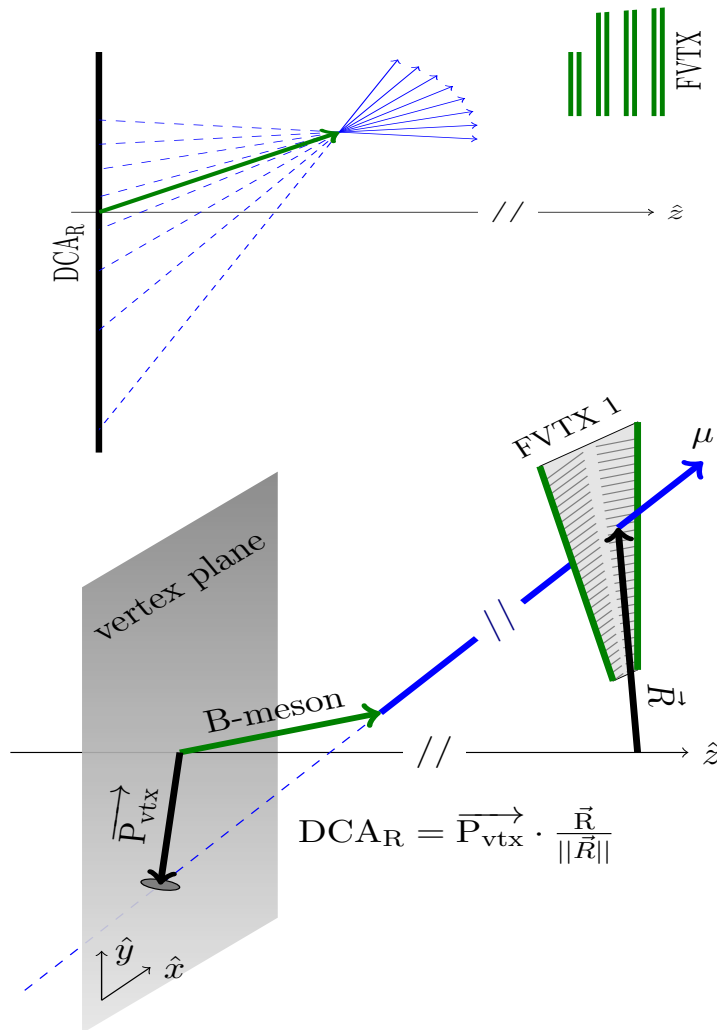
- Similar suppression trend for the rapidity dependence. More suppression in LHC especially in the forward rapidity?



- Larger co-mover contribution in the LHC era? Gluon saturation change spectroscopic charmonium states?

Distance of Closest Approach (DCA) definition

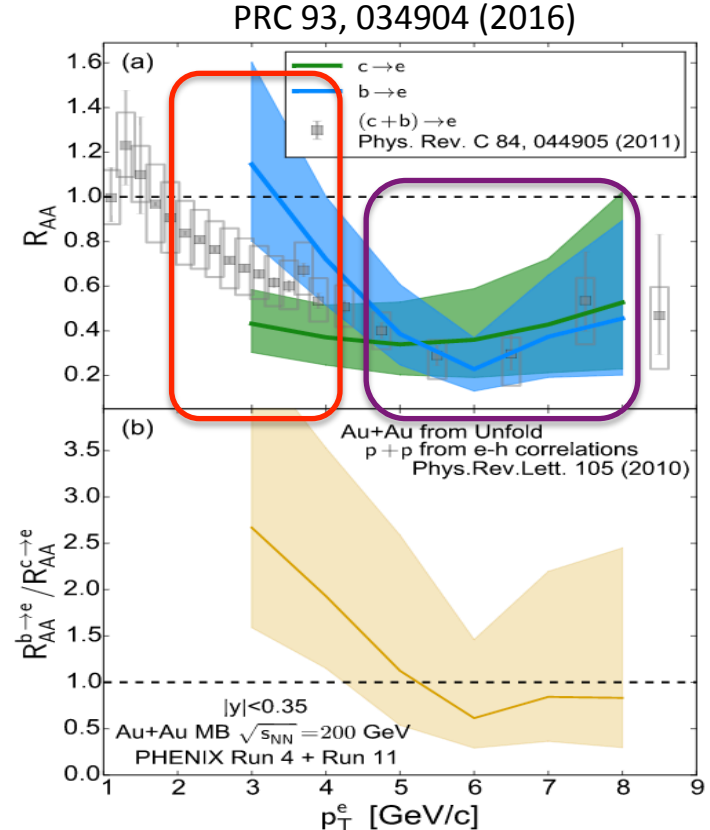
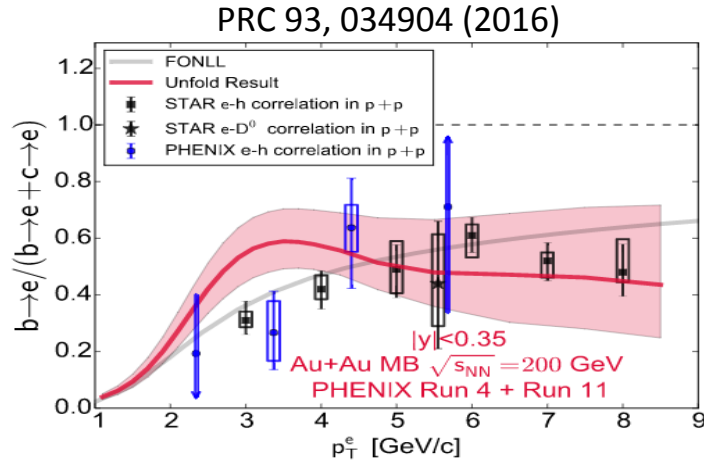
- Definition of the DCA_R .



- Track projection to the primary vertex xy plane. The projection (x_{proj}, y_{proj}) and the primary vertex (x_0, y_0) forms the DCA vector ($x_{proj} - x_0, y_{proj} - y_0$).
- For p+p data, we use the beam average x_0, y_0 values.
- We define DCA_R is along the direction of the detector radial direction.

Study the Hot Nuclear Matter effect via D/B production

- The bottom fraction has different p_T dependence between p+p collisions and Au+Au collisions.

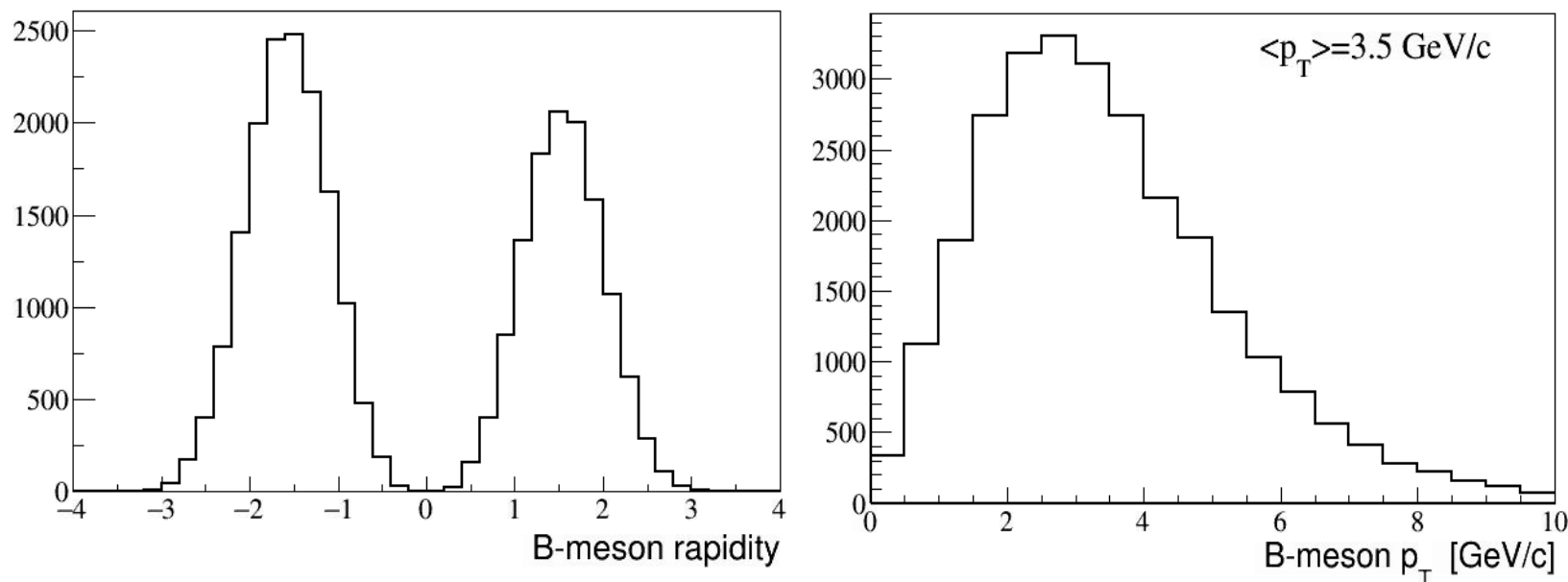


- From the R_{AA} results,
 - Bottom has similar suppression as charm for high p_T region.
 - Bottom may be less suppressed in the low p_T region.
- New analysis with the high statistics run14 Au+Au data is ongoing.

Can we measure B meson in forward rapidity?

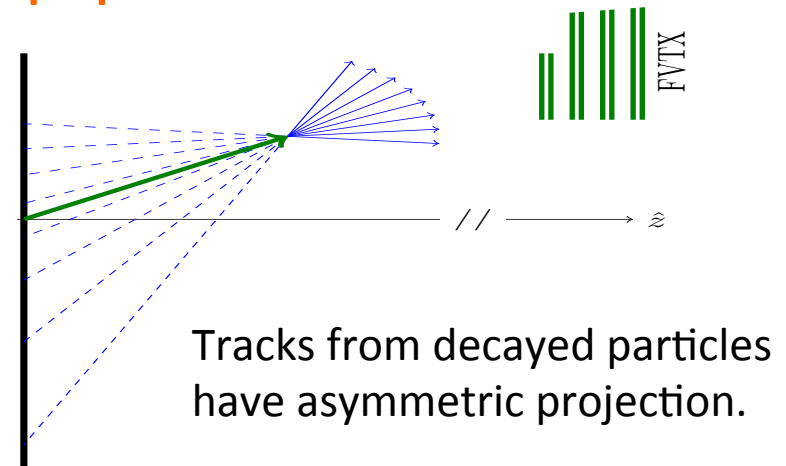
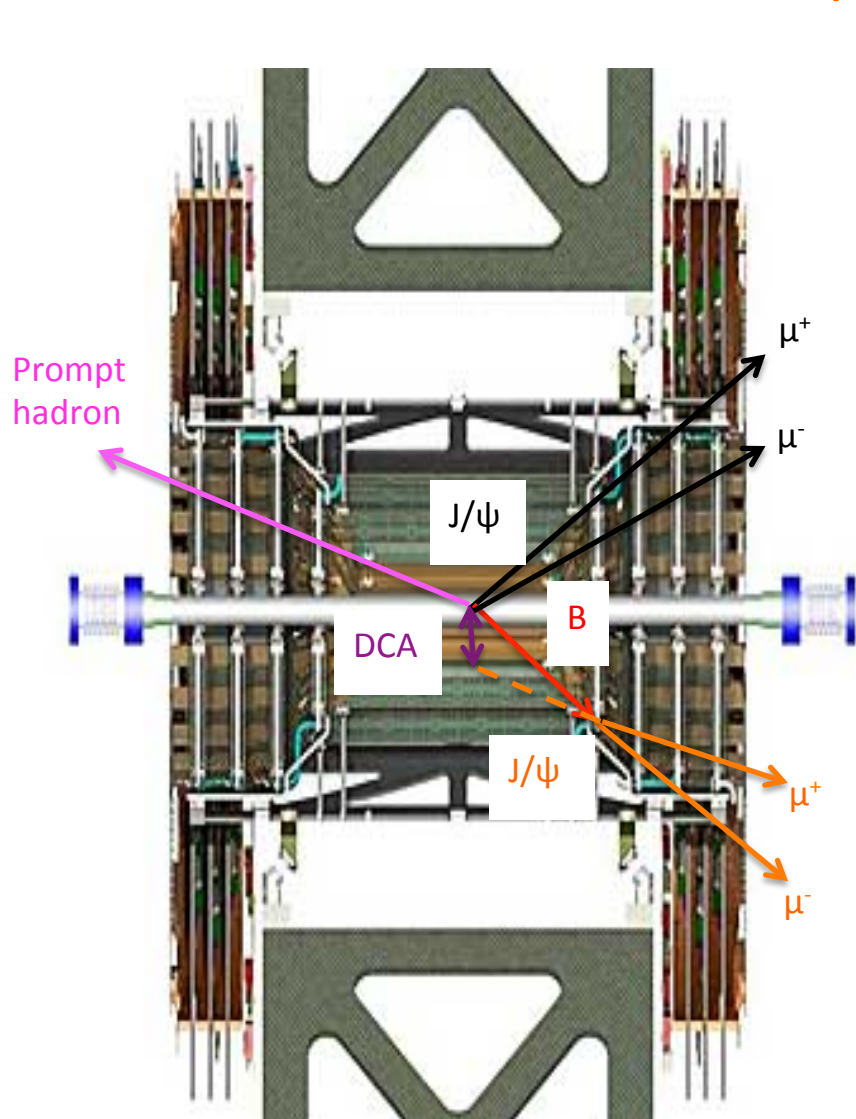
- PHENIX provides good access to **low p_T** B mesons via B to J/ ψ decay channel in the forward and backward rapidity in both **p+p** and **heavy ion** collisions.

Kinematics of B mesons probed by PHENIX FVTX in PYTHIA simulation



- B mesons measured in the forward/backward rapidity with longer decay length may probe different QGP evolution stage in heavy ion collisions from the mid-rapidity region.

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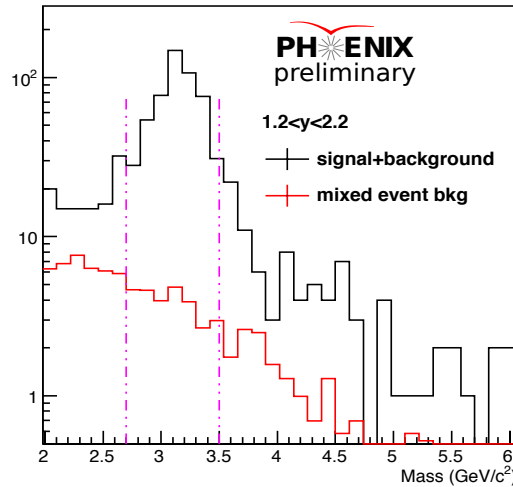


- Distance of **C**losest **A**pproach (**DCA**) of track projection in the xy plane from the primary vertex.
- DCA has better resolution in radial (r) than azimuthal (ϕ) direction. Use $DCA(r)$ for this analysis.
- Different $DCA(r)$ shapes of prompt particles and decayed particles make the separation of B decayed J/ψ and prompt J/ψ feasible.

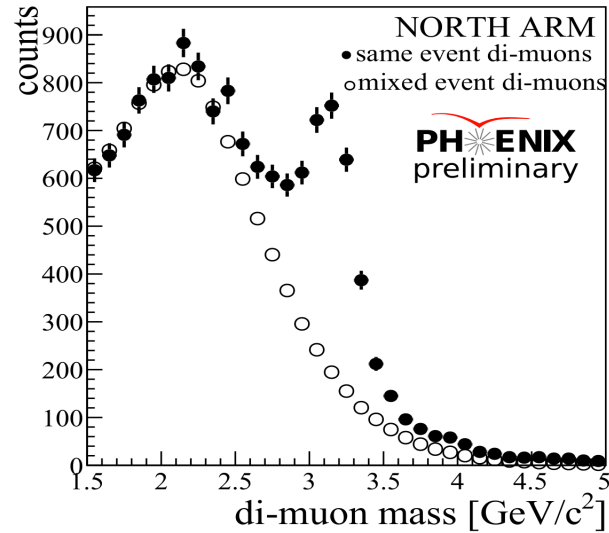
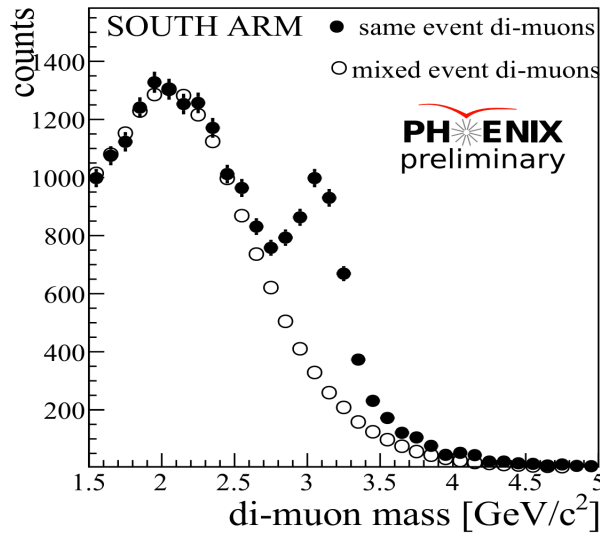
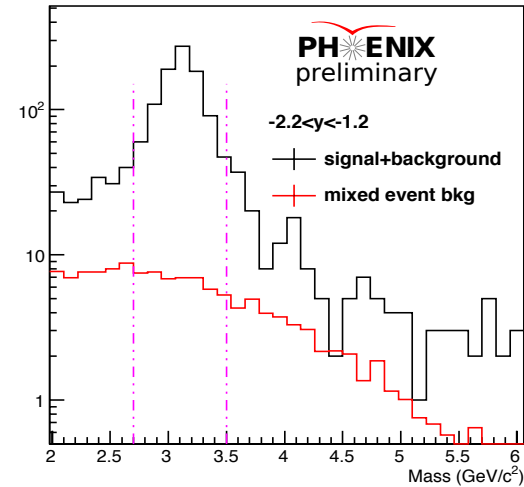
Invariant mass of di-muons

- In 2012 510 GeV p+p (top) and Cu+Au (bottom) data.

2012 510 GeV p+p data

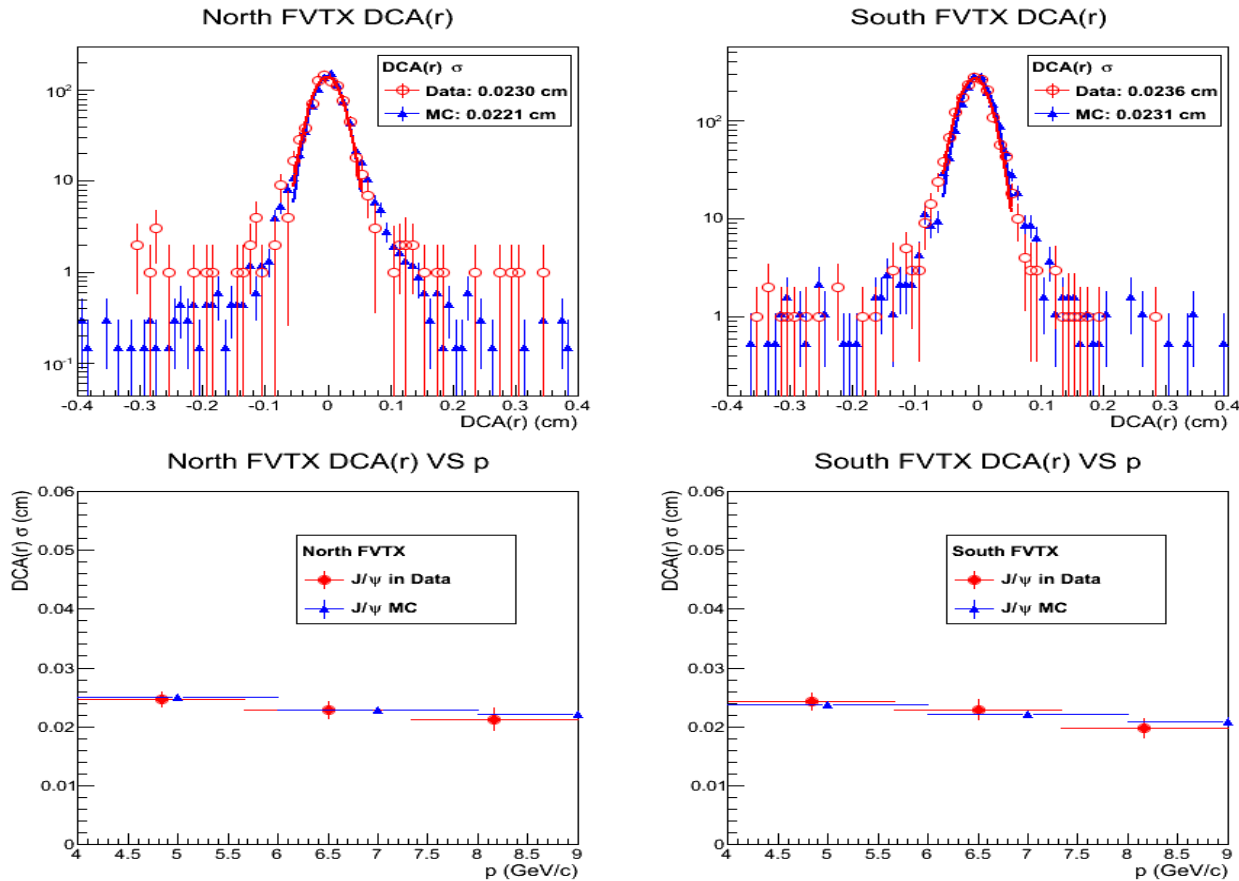


2012 510 GeV p+p data



Comparison of DCA(r) between data and simulation (p+p)

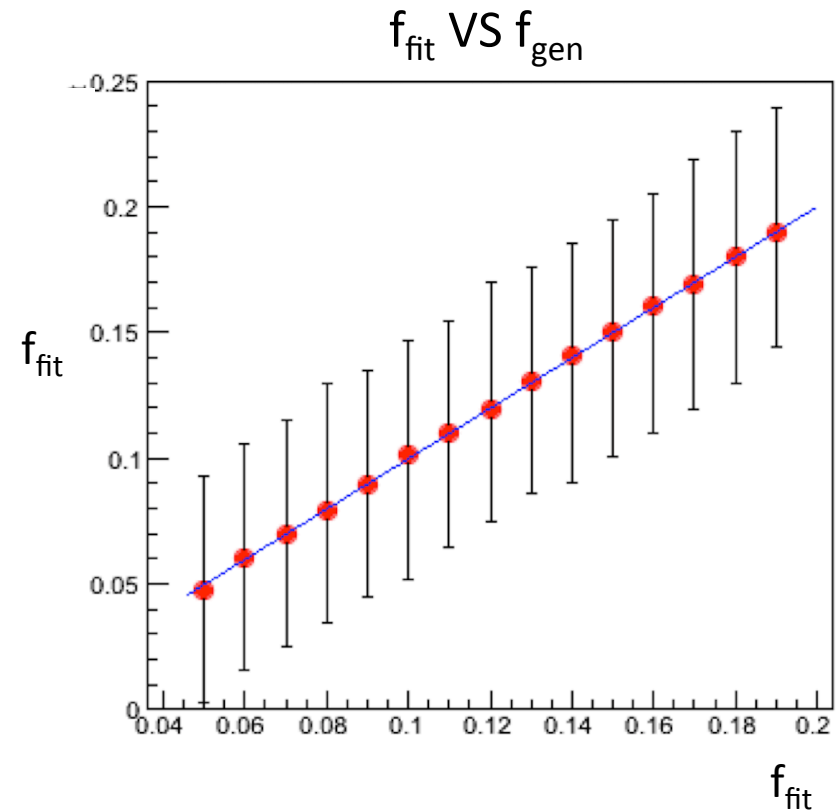
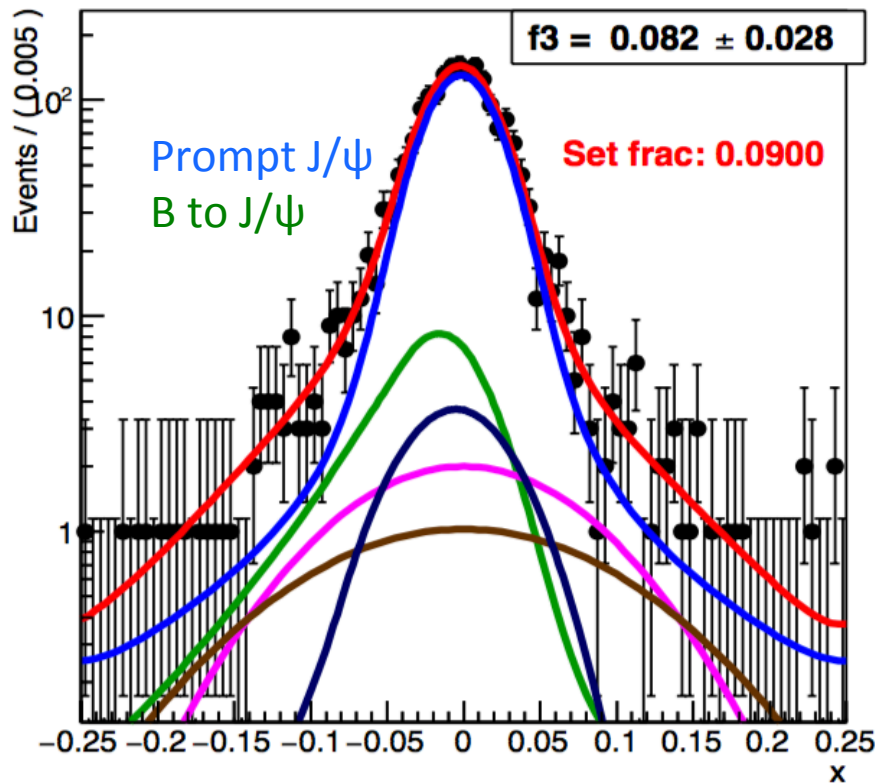
- DCA(r) of J/ ψ decayed muons with integrated p and p dependence.
- Fit the DCA(r) core region to extract the DCA(r) resolution.



- Good agreement between data and simulation for DCA(r) resolution.

Test the fit package in Toy MC

- Generate pseudo-data according to the shape of foreground and background. Use the same fit packages applied in data.

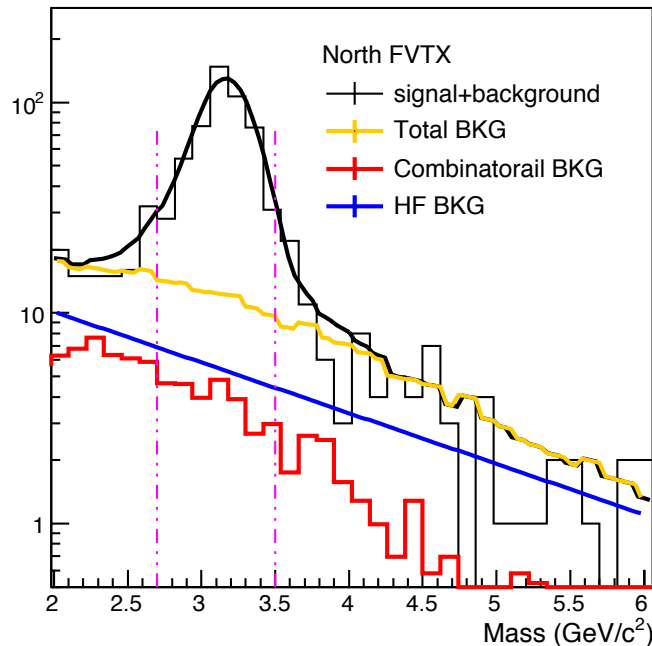


- Good linearity between generated and B to J/ψ ratio.
- Final results from data are under collaboration review.

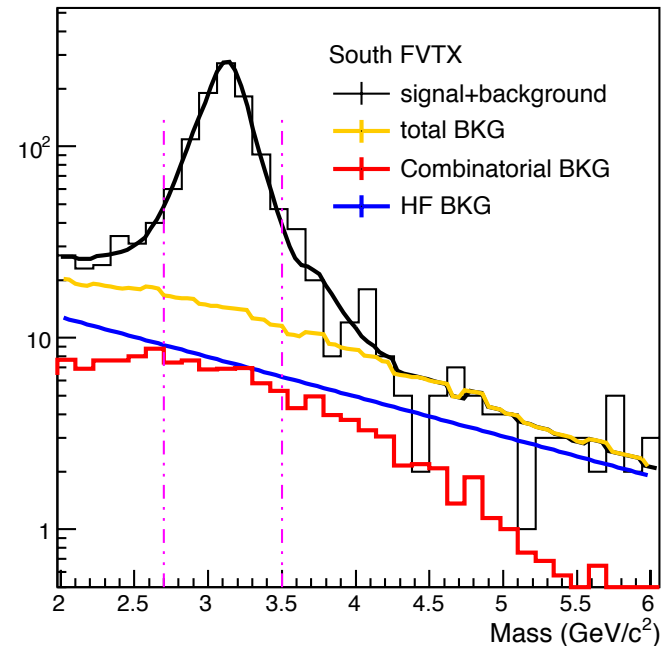
HF continuum background fraction

- Fit the di-muon mass to extract the HF continuum background.

2012 510 GeV p+p ($1.2 < y < 2.2$)



2012 510 GeV p+p ($-2.2 < y < -1.2$)

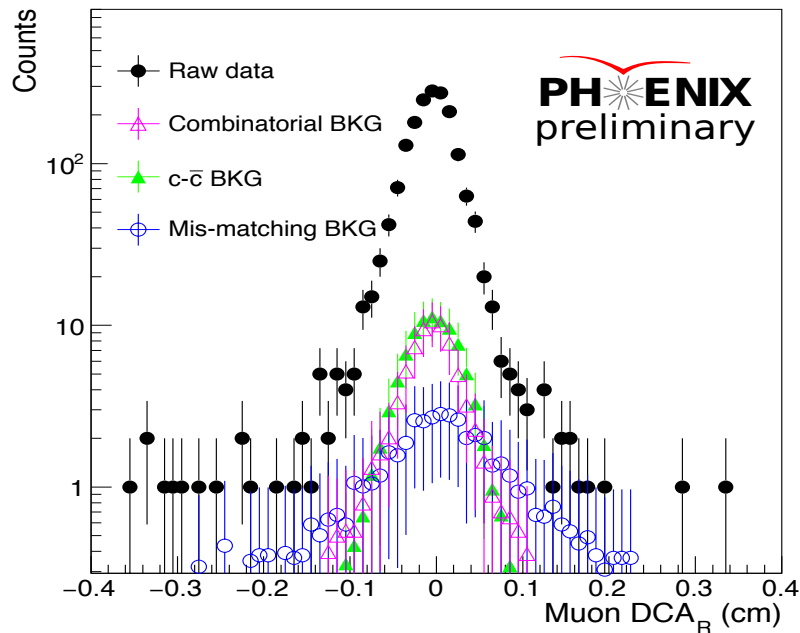


- Total background (10.1%) only consists of HF continuum background (4.7%) and mixed event background (5.4%).
- HF continuum background is comparable with the mixed event background within the mass cut window.

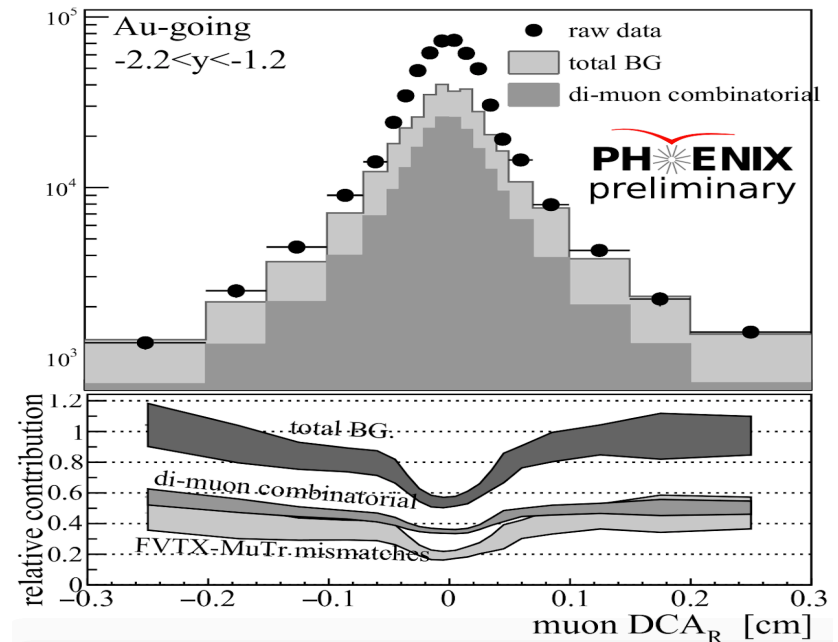
Analysis strategy for the B to J/ ψ ratio measurement (II)

- Background determination
 - Dimuon combinatorial background using mixed events.
 - FVTX-MuTr track mis-matching using topological detector event mixing technique.
 - Heavy flavor continuum (dominated by $c\bar{c}$), generated in simulation with fraction determined in data.

2012 510 GeV p+p ($-2.2 < y < -1.2$)



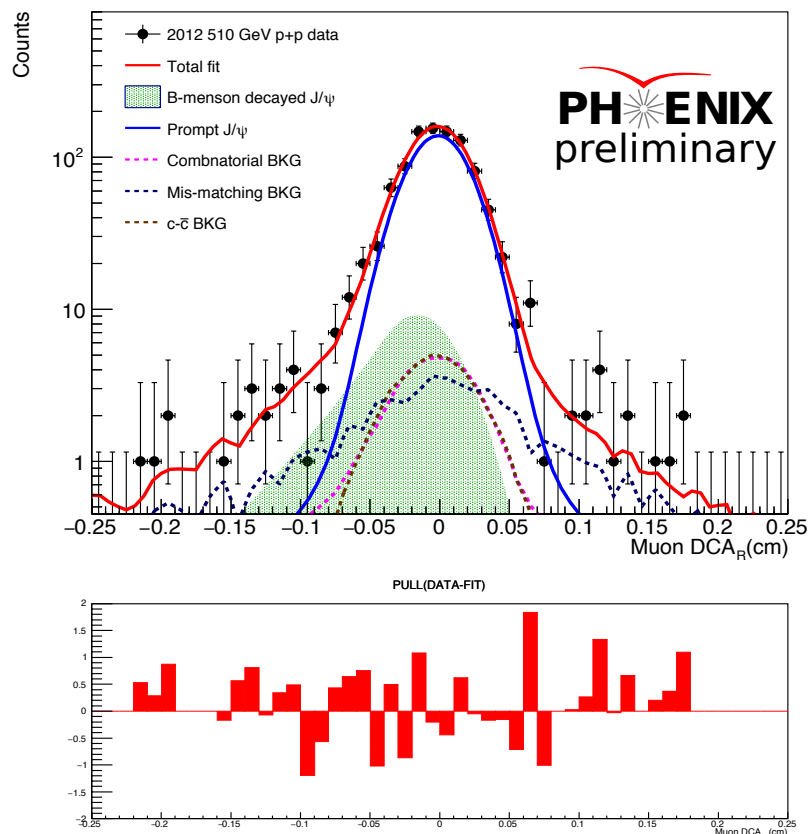
2012 200 GeV Cu+Au collisions



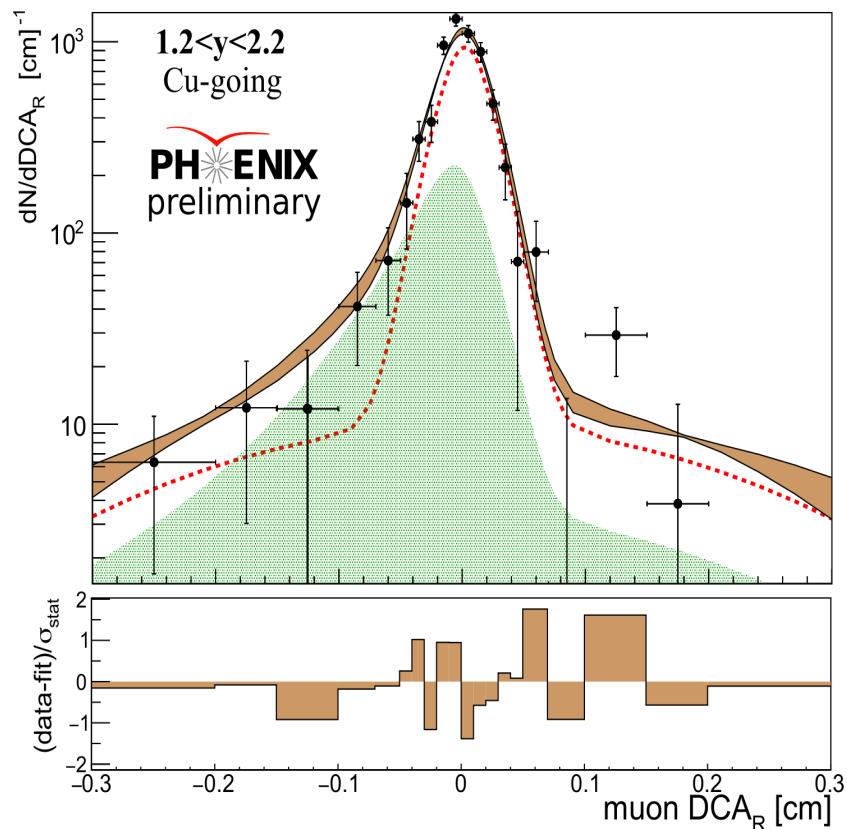
Analysis strategy for the B to J/ψ ratio measurement (III)

- Fit on DCA_R in data to simultaneously determine the **prompt J/ψ** and **J/ψ from B-meson decay** yields and extract the B to J/ψ fraction.

B → J/ψ Fit ($1.2 < y < 2.2$)

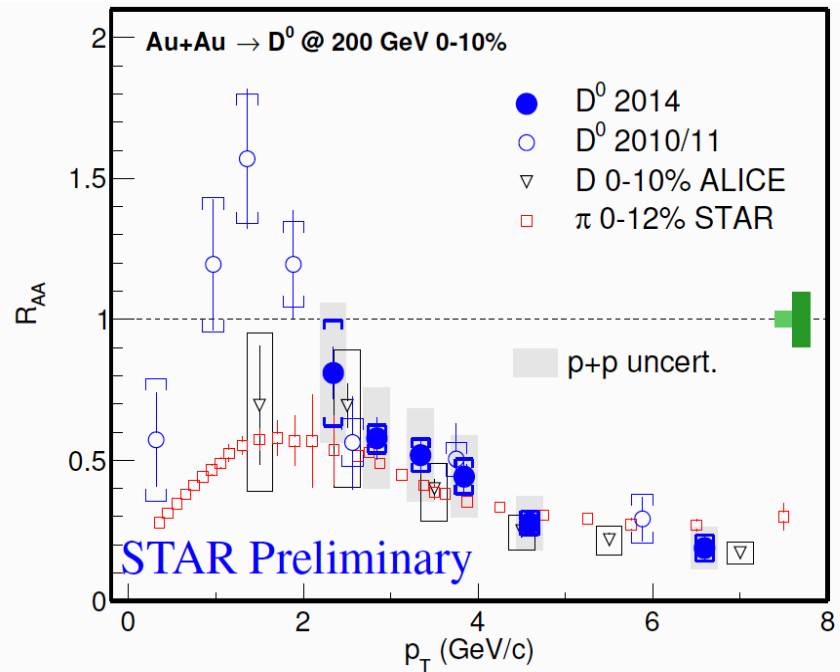
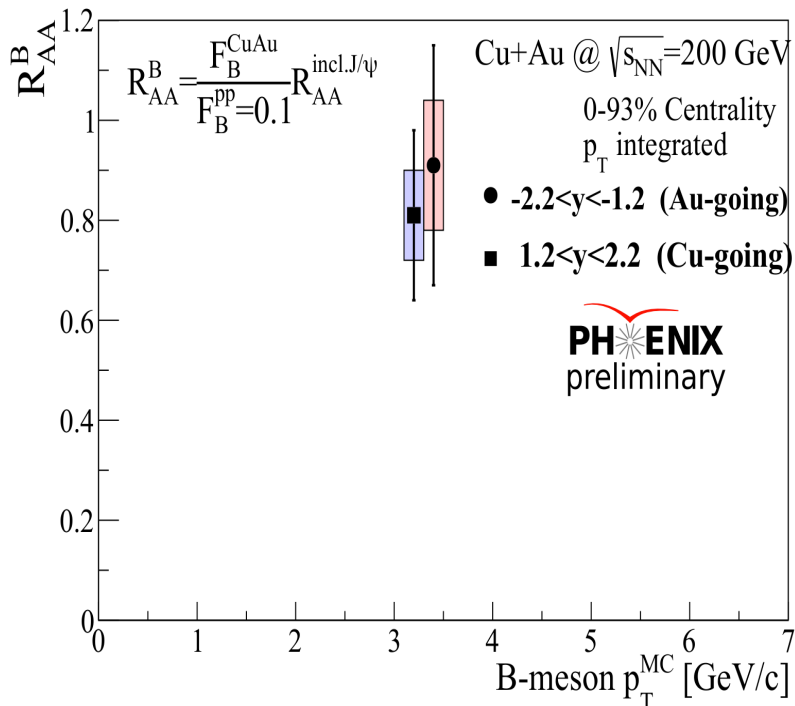


2012 200 GeV Cu+Au collisions



B \rightarrow J/ ψ R_{AA} in 200 GeV Cu+Au data

- Cu-going/Au-going B-meson R_{CuAu} measured in Cu+Au data agree with mid-rapidity Bottom decayed electron R_{AuAu} result at the same energy.
- Is **bottom** production less suppressed than **charm** production in the forward rapidity in the **low p_T region**?



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- Qualitative agreement with theoretical calculations for Au+Au and Cu+Cu collisions at mid-rapidity.

